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Of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, Held in the United Presbyterian Church of Sterling, Kansas, May 11-15, 1917.

MINUTES.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 11, 1917.

A LARGE and attentive body of delegates gathered in the United Presbyterian Church of Sterling, Kans., on Friday evening, May 11th—the opening session of the Thirty-fourth Annual Convention.

The Processional and Musical number by the choir, and opening prayer by Rev. Mr. McGarey, the pastor of the church, was followed by a devotional service by Mrs. B. R. McClellan, the First Vice-President and presiding officer of the evening. Her subject was "Our Call to Service" based on Luke 5:1-11. She emphasized the fact that our call was to definite permanent service. It was not enough to just live close to Christ, but we must reach out and do for others. Mrs. H. C. Campbell led in prayer. An anthem, "Praise the Lord" was beautifully rendered by the choir after which most cordial greetings were given by Mrs. E. C. Wellman on behalf of the Women's Missionary Society, Rev. Mr. McGarey for the congregation and Dr. R. T. Campbell, President of Cooper College for the College. Mrs. McClellan in responding, expressed for the Convention their hearty appreciation of the royal manner in which delegates and friends had been received and made comfortable by the Sterling people.

The President, Mrs. R. A. Elliott, of Cambridge, Ohio, was introduced and gave a most excellent address on "Our Duty of Service." She said if we would render our best service, we must take Christ's rule, which is given in two brief words, "*Come* and *Go*." "*Come*" to Christ to receive our qualifications and commission for service; to receive our instructions from Him, then "*Go*" and do for others. We cannot all render the same kind of service, but God has a service for each one of us to perform in the advancement of His Kingdom. Our responsibility is limited only by our opportunities of service for God and for our fellow-men. The address was full of splendid suggestions to the followers of Christ in regard to their duty of service for the Master.

Miss Ivy Brush sang a solo, "He That

Dwelleth in the Secret Place." Mrs. Elliott introduced the thirteen members of the Women's Board, who were present and announced the following Credential Committee: Mrs. O. S. Johnston, Arkansas Valley; Mrs. Hannah J. Warren, Garnett; Mrs. W. A. J. Black, Oklahoma.

Announcements were made by the Local Committee.

Dr. Spencer closed the session with prayer and benediction. A social hour in charge of the Young Women's Missionary Society was enjoyed by all before retiring to their homes.

SATURDAY MORNING.

The morning worship was led by Mrs. R. J. Hutton, the Second Vice-President. The scripture lesson was taken from John 17. As Christ was sent into the world for a purpose, so we have a purpose to fulfill also. The giving of oneself is the best service one can give; are we living the life of service as God expects us to? were thoughts impressed upon us. Mrs. W. P. Wiegering closed the service with prayer.

The President presented the program which with one correction was adopted.

The minutes of the previous session were read and adopted.

The Credential Committee gave a partial report, showing a delegated body of 148 present, which was later increased to 160. The Delegate roll was called showing the following persons present:

OFFICERS.

President: Mrs. R. A. Elliott, Cambridge, Ohio.

First Vice-President: Mrs. Ben R. McClellan, Xenia, Ohio.

Second Vice-President: Mrs. R. J. Hutton, Detroit, Michigan.

Secretary: Mrs. J. T. Logue, Cleveland, Ohio.

Treasurer: Mrs. J. B. Hill, Pittsburgh, Pa.

DELEGATES.

ALLEGHENY:
Mrs. O. H. Milligan.
Mrs. E. B. Evans.
Mrs. Jacques Labelle.
Mrs. Myrtle Martin.
Mrs. C. E. Gilchrist.
Mrs. Bessie M. Gilmore.
Miss Sarah Anderson.

ARGYLE:
Mrs. D. H. Safford.
Miss Mary A. Kerr.

ARKANSAS VALLEY:
Mrs. A. J. Siegel.
Mrs. Mary Andrews.

BEAVER VALLEY:
Miss Edna McClaren.
Miss Geneva Schuck.

BIG SPRINGS:
Mrs. Howard Wilson.

BUTLER:
Mrs. Mary A. Houston.

CALEDONIA:
Miss Jennie Hogg.
Mrs. John McGarey.

CEDAR RAPIDS:
Miss Martha Cassill.

CHARTIERS:
Mrs. W. J. Sutherland.
Miss Maude E. Phillips.
Miss Annetta Little.

CHICAGO:
Mrs. F. W. Miller.

CLEVELAND:
Mrs. M. T. Moses.
Mrs. W. P. Wiegering.

COLLEGE SPRINGS:
Mrs. J. G. Graham.
Mrs. W. M. Bailey.
Mrs. W. E. Nicoll.
Mrs. C. C. Kyle.

COLORADO:
Mrs. R. C. Gilson.
Mrs. Margaret Adair.
Mrs. Thos. Work.

CONCORDIA:
Miss Martha Rea.
Mrs. Anna M. Strain.

CONEMAUGH:
Mrs. W. H. Frank.

DES MOINES:
Mrs. J. R. Burr.
Mrs. J. M. Hamilton.
Mrs. Lillian Smith.
Mrs. J. B. Wilson.
Mrs. W. E. Gordon.
Mrs. F. D. McKee.

DETROIT:
Mrs. R. J. Hutton.

GARNETT:
Mrs. Hannah J. Warren.
Miss Bessie Duff.
Mrs. S. E. McClellan.

HUDSON:
Mrs. W. M. Nichol.

IDAHO:
Mrs. M. Jeanette Evans.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL:
Miss Kathryn Miller.

ILLINOIS SOUTHERN:
Mrs. E. E. Morton.

INDIANA:
Mrs. D. M. Elliott.

INDIANA NORTHERN:
Mrs. J. W. Williams.
Mrs. Carolina Scouden.

IOWA NORTHWESTERN:
Mrs. Joe Irwin.

KANSAS CITY:
Mrs. J. A. Renwick.
Mrs. D. E. Smith.
Mrs. Orr Carson.

KEOKUK:
Mrs. E. G. McKibben.
Mrs. C. F. Hoffman.

KISKIMINETAS:
Mrs. H. D. Hanna.

LAKE:
Mrs. V. C. Harshaw.

LE CLAIRE:
Mrs. J. T. Wherry.

LOS ANGELES:
Mrs. C. T. Patterson.
Mrs. Margaret Wilson.
Miss Cynthia Wilson.
Miss Rose Wilson.

MANSFIELD:
Mrs. F. A. Dumm.

MERCER:
Mrs. K. W. McFailand.

MONMOUTH:
Mrs. B. J. Hill.
Miss Grace Bricker.
Miss Laura Boyd.

MONONGAHELA:
Mrs. James Riddle.
Miss Edith Hutchison.
Mrs. Reifsnyder.
Mrs. H. B. Patterson.
Miss Mina Miller.
Mrs. R. A. Hutchison.

MUSKINGUM:
Miss Mira Lane.
Mrs. R. C. Andrews.
Mrs. Mary White.
Miss Isabel Elliott.

NEW JERSEY:
Mrs. Plenderleith.

OKLAHOMA:
Mrs. W. A. J. Black.

OHIO FIRST:
Miss Fannie McConnell.

OMAHA:
Mrs. S. E. Boyd.
Mrs. J. J. Melick.

OREGON:
Mrs. W. L. Grove.

PAWNEE:
Mrs. W. N. Frazee.
Miss Letha Bashford.
Mrs. Haidee E. Rankin.

PHILADELPHIA:
Mrs. J. C. Scouller.

PITTSBURGH:
Mrs. T. A. Trowbridge.
Mrs. M. O. Harshnan.

ROCK ISLAND:
Mrs. S. M. Wilson.
Miss Bernice Gilmore.

SAN FRANCISCO:
Mrs. J. C. Alter.

SPOKANE:
Miss Sadie E. Blair.
Mrs. Wm. Laird.

STEUBENVILLE:
Mrs. John McClelland.

TEXAS:
Mrs. D. A. Esterquist.

UNCOMPAHGRE:
Mrs. R. A. McConagha.

VERMONT:
Mrs. J. A. McKirahan.

WESTMORELAND:
Mrs. J. R. McFarland.

WISCONSIN:
Mrs. W. F. Goldspohn.

XENIA:
Mrs. Albert Bickett.
Mrs. F. P. Hastings.
Mrs. William Fry.

MISSIONARIES.

HOME:
Miss Edith Warnock, San Antonio, Texas.
Miss Esther Mitchell, M. D., Frenchburg, Ky.

INDIAN:
Rev. Hugh Jackson, Warm Springs, Oregon.

FREEDMEN:
Mrs. J. A. Cotton, Henderson, N. C.

INDIA:
Miss L. B. Hamilton.
Miss Elizabeth McCahon.
Dr. Maria White.
Miss Mary J. Campbell.
Miss Rose Wilson.
Miss Cynthia Wilson.
Miss Kate Hill.

EGYPT:
Miss Leota Cabeen.
Miss Helen Ferrier.
Miss E. Roxy Martin.
Miss Elsie French.
Miss Beulah Chalmers.

SUDAN:
Miss Elsie E. Grove.

MAGAZINE COMMITTEE:
Mrs. George M. Moore.
Miss Hazel Flagg.

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION:
Mrs. Sarah Aul.

WOMEN'S BOARD:
Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter.
Mrs. J. D. Sands.
Mrs. J. B. Hill.
Mrs. John S. Crawford.
Mrs. D. J. Brown.
Mrs. H. C. Campbell.
Mrs. Wm. S. Cook.
Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson.
Miss Elizabeth Milligan.
Miss Ida B. Little.
Mrs. I. H. Milliken.
Mrs. J. Howard Maxwell.
Mrs. R. C. Morton.

FIELD SECRETARIES:
Mrs. J. C. Alter.
Miss Kate Hill.

LIFE MEMBERS.

Miss Sarah Anderson.
Mrs. Sarah Aul.
Miss Isabel Elliott.
Mrs. A. K. Mack.
Mrs. O. S. Johnston.
Mrs. H. F. Wallace.

Mrs. Rev. Stevenson.
Mrs. J. W. Duff.
Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter.
Mrs. J. D. Sands.
Mrs. J. B. Hill.
Mrs. John Crawford.
Mrs. D. J. Brown.
Mrs. H. C. Campbell.
Mrs. Wm. Cook.
Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson.
Mrs. I. H. Milliken.
Mrs. J. H. Maxwell.
Mrs. J. C. Alter.
Mrs. Zella G. Fergerson.
Mrs. H. A. Hunter.
Mrs. C. A. Wilson.
Miss Elizabeth Milligan.
Mrs. George Moore.
Miss Fanny Cleary.
Mrs. G. I. Gordon.
Mrs. S. H. McDill.
Mrs. Joe Irwin.
Mrs. W. R. Irvine.
Mrs. J. A. Monteith.
Miss Mary Kerr.
Mrs. W. P. Wiegering.
Mary J. Campbell.
Emma J. Brook.
Mrs. Belle Patterson.
Mrs. Annetta Nesbit.
Mrs. J. C. Scouller.
Mrs. R. C. Gibson.
Mrs. R. J. Hutton.
Mrs. D. H. Safford.
Mrs. Bella Lockhart.
Mrs. J. A. Cotton.
Mrs. R. A. Elliott.
Mrs. J. T. Logue.
Mrs. John Graham.
Miss Bashford.
Mrs. W. M. Nichol.
Mrs. A. C. Stewart.
Mrs. A. S. Thompson.

The President appointed the following committees:

RECOMMENDATIONS:
Mrs. Myrtle Martin, Allegheny.
Mrs. D. M. Elliott, Indiana.
Mrs. F. D. McKee, Des Moines.
Mrs. J. C. Scouller, Philadelphia.
Mrs. Albert Bickett, Xenia.

NOMINATIONS:
Mrs. W. P. Wiegering, Cleveland.
Mrs. R. C. Gibson, Colorado.
Mrs. Howard Wilson, Big Springs.

PLACE:
Miss Annetta Little, Chartiers.
Mrs. J. A. Renwick, Kansas City.
Mrs. M. Janette Evans, Idaho.

RESOLUTIONS:
Mrs. R. A. Hutchison, Monongahela.
Mrs. Mary White, Muskingum.
Mrs. W. M. Nichol, Hudson.

TELLERS:
Mrs. R. A. McFarland, Westmoreland.
Mrs. H. D. Hanna, Kiskiminetas.
Mrs. W. M. Bailey, College Springs.
Miss Elsie Grove, Sudan.
Miss L. B. Hamilton, India.

Invitations having been received from the churches of Cambridge, Ohio, and the Allegheny Presbyterial for the Convention of 1918, they were referred to the Committee on Place.

Mrs. J. Howard Maxwell, Secretary of the Women's Board, gave a report of the meetings of the year. This report contained the following recommendations to the General Missionary Society:

First: That the Society have Life Directors at an undesignated fee of $300.00.

Second: That all the names of Life Members be published annually in the July number of the Women's Missionary Magazine. The report on motion was adopted.

The Statistical Report was read by

Mrs. D. J. Brown, the newly elected member of the Board, who takes the place of Mrs. R. Maurice Trimble, resigned.

The Societies were urged to purchase and make use of the statistical reports which are published annually by the Board at great expense, but which are on sale by the Literature Department at the small sum of ten cents each. Report adopted.

The "Quiet Hours" of the Convention are all in charge of Mrs. Haidee Ewing Rankin with "Service" the key-note of the Convention as the subject.

Our Preparation for Service was the thought for consideration at this first hour.

Following the example of the Master by "going a part" for prayer is the first and best step we should take toward preparedness for service. Then we must put on the "Whole Armour," for the warfare is a fierce struggle from beginning to finish. Mrs. O. H. Milligan closed with prayer.

The report of the Treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Hill, showed that more than two-thirds of the entire number of Presbyterials had made gains in their gifts, showing deeper interest and greater loyalty to the work. All financial obligations met in every department closing the fiscal year with a balance on hand with which to enter upon the work of the new year is a condition for grateful thanksgiving. Report was adopted with a rising vote of thanks to our most efficinet treasurer for her painstaking work.

The report of Miss Ida B. Little, Secretary of Finance, was given. Twenty-five of our Presbyterials are making no contribution to the contingent fund. Is your's one of them? When the societies all realize their responsibility to this fund and financially meet their responsibility, a burden will be lifted from the Board which will relieve them greatly. Go home and do your part. This report on motion was adopted.

The report of Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter, Thank-Offering Secretary, showed the 1916 offering to be one of the largest Thank-Offerings in the twenty-nine years of the movement, and this without any special plea for liberal offerings for some definite needy object, and without any special effort to secure large gifts from the few who have in the past helped to swell the total Thank-Offerings.

We were urged to make greater efforts to bring the two-thirds of our women who are in no way connected with the societies of our church into active membership and thereby increase the efficiency of the various societies, increase their contributions and also their Thank-Offerings. Report on motion was adopted.

The foregoing reports were discussed and questions asked and answered.

Mrs. Campbell moved that the matter of publishing the Statistical Reports be brought before the Convention by the Committee on Recommendations. Motion carried.

Mrs. B. R. McClellan closed the session with prayer. No afternoon session was held by the Convention, but the members spent the afternoon in recreation, enjoying auto rides, arranged for by the Local Committee and the May Day exercises at Cooper College.

SATURDAY EVENING.

This session was Home Missionary Evening and was presided over by Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson.

Rev. H. T. Jackson, of our [illegible] Springs Indian Mission, led the devotional service. "Intercession" be[illegible]

thought for consideration. Matt. 9:35 and Eph. 4:20 were read.

Miss Mary Campbell, of India, closed with prayer. A beautiful anthem was rendered by the choir after which the workers in our various fields in the United States were presented, and gave us reasons why the Departments, supported by the Women's General Missionary Society which they represented, were worthy of our best thought and service.

Miss Edith Warnock, of San Antonio, Texas, represented City Missions; Mrs. J. A. Cotton, Freedmen's Missions; Miss Esther Mitchell, M. D., of Frenchburg, Ky., the Mountain people of Kentucky; and Rev. H. T. Jackson, of Warm Springs, our American Indians. A large audience listened attentively to most interesting discourses by these representatives as they stirred the hearts to a greater desire to do more than they ever had done before for the uplift of these people. Mr. Henry Fleming sang a beautiful solo which was enjoyed by all. Dr. Campbell, President of Cooper College, closed with prayer and benediction.

SABBATH AFTERNOON.

The delegates and friends gathered at the church at three o'clock Sabbath afternoon, for the Memorial and Communion Services, Rev. McGarey presiding. Rev. E. F. Buck, of the Sterling Methodist Church, and Rev. E. H. Tubbs, of the Baptist Church, were on the platform and assisted in the services. Miss Kate Hill had charge of the Memorial hour and paid loving tribute to those who had been called from their labors in the foreign fields to their reward above. Dr. Andrew Watson, of Egypt, Mrs. McKee, whose husband was a missionary in India a number of years ago, Mary Anna, an India Bible woman, and Nannie J. Spencer, of India, were those in whose memory the service was held. Miss Hill had for many years been a co-laborer with Miss Spencer and spoke most tenderly of the beauty and strength of her character and of her loving helpfulness to all with whom she was associated.

The Sacramental Sermon was given by Rev. McGarey with Luke 10:38, "And Martha received Him" as the Scripture text.

SABBATH EVENING.

"I am the Light of the World" was the key-note of the Thank-Offering Service presided over by Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter, the Thank-Offering Secretary. After an anthem, "The Lord is My Light," by the choir, Miss Elsie French, of Egypt, lead in the opening prayer.

The Juniors of Sterling came from the back of the church in processional singing "The Happy Way" and occupied the front seats and later joined in the responsive service and sang "Children of Zion."

A Pageant, "The Light of the World," was then given by the young women. An appeal was made to Christians to give the "Light" to those who sit in darkness (represented by young women in the costume of the various countries where Christ is little known) and answered by others who came dressed in white, bearing lights in one hand and the gospel in the other, ready to bring their sisters out of darkness into the glorious light.

This was followed by "An Eastern Woman's Appeal," a recitation, given by Miss Lula Henry dressed in oriental costume and the ladies' quartett who sang "Love's Pleading." The Thank-Offering bearers presented the amount of their offerings as they came singing to the front of the platform. Miss Mary J. Campbell, of India, made the Consecration Prayer. The male quartett

sang "Bless the Lord O My Soul" and the congregational Thank-Offering was lifted.

Mrs. Porter announced the amount of the offerings by Presbyterials. Fifty-one out of sixty-three increased their offerings over those of the previous year. The total amount of the offerings was $77,646.29; in addition to this India's offering was $239,36 and Egypt's, $1,355.77.

The service was closed by the congregation standing and praying together a prayer of thanksgiving, singing of the doxology, and receiving the benediction by Rev. McGarey.

MONDAY MORNING.

The Devotional Service was led by Mrs. John McClelland, of Steubenville Presbyterial and consisted of the reading of 115th Psalm and a season of short prayers by many of the delegates.

The minutes of the previous sessions were read and on motion adopted.

A request from the President of Cooper College, that we visit the College at eleven o'clock on Tuesday instead of the earlier hour planned for, was granted. The hour for the opening of the Convention Tuesday morning, changed from nine o'clock to eight o'clock.

Two memorials, one from Mercer Presbyterial, and one from Kansas City Presbyterial, were read to the Convention and on motion were referred to the Committee on Memorials which was appointed by the President and is as follows: Mrs. C. C. Kyle, College Springs; Mrs. F. W. Miller, Chicago; Miss Jennie Hogg, Caledonia.

On motion of Mrs. H. C. Campbell all missionaries, Home and Foreign were enrolled by the Credential Committee and given all the privileges of the Convention.

The report of Mrs. Wm. Cook, Secretary of Home Work, showed splendid work had been done by our city missionaries and progress had been made at Frenchburg through generous gifts for the various needs there. Report on motion was adopted.

Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson, Secretary pro tem of the Freedmen Work, prefaced her report by a loving tribute to the regular Secretary, Mrs. Samuel Yourd, who through illness has been laid aside for the past few months. The report showed that the year has been one of success and great opportunity in this department. A plea was made for a new dormitory at Miller's Ferry at a cost of $4500. Societies were urged not to forget the Freedmen's Department in making their pledges for the coming year. Report was adopted.

The report of the Indian Work was given by Mrs. John S. Crawford showing that out of the 820 Women's Missionary Societies only 346 contributed to the Indian Work last year. The entire amount contributed to this department last year was $2451, about $5000 is needed for the work undertaken. Good work is being done by those in charge of the three stations. There is a large amount of work to be done but there is a lack of sympathy by those whose duty it is to support the work. This work is all in charge of the Women's General Missionary Society and should receive better support. Report was adopted.

Mrs. Rankin at the "Quiet Hour" brought before us a vision of our "Fields for Service," beginning in our own homes and going to the uttermost parts of the earth. God has a definite plan for us, let us seek to carry out His program. Secretaries were asked to make requests for prayer for definite needs or desires in the fields which they repre-

sent, others were asked to pray definitely for these things. These seasons of prayer are helpful and inspiring. The Foreign Secretary, Mrs. Campbell, in giving her report called attention to the needs of the work and presented recommendations for the Convention's consideration.

First: That we send to the General Work in India, $44,319; that we send to the General Work in Egypt, $40,609; that we send to the General Work in Sudan, $9,195.

Second: That the Foreign reports be printed in the July Magazine, the Board to pay for all extra pages over 100.

Third: That in the new manual which is to contain the rules regarding outgoing missionaries, the following changes be made: That amount allowed for outfit of missionary be made, $150; that annual salary of women physicians be made, $750; that annual salary of all others be made, $600; that all furlough salaries be $45 a month, this salary to begin when the regular salary stops; and that length of furloughs be sixteen months.

These terms not to go into effect until April 16, 1918, unless the money is sent in.

The following six new missionaries are to be sent to the foreign field: Miss Mary Thompson, Miss Eula Chalmers, Miss Margaret Rounds, to Egypt; Miss Luella Snyder, Miss Sarah B. Moore, Miss Kate Spencer, to India.

A statement was made regarding a condition at Sargodha where land and some buildings thereon would be turned over to the Board to be used as a site for a new school building. Not having the money to put up, equip, and maintain a new building, the Board is in a quandary as to what to do. After discussion of the report at the hour of the Round Table, it was on motion adopted.

Mrs. Rankin dismissed the Convention with prayer.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

Mrs. R. J. Hutton presided over this session and Miss Fannie McConnel conducted the devotional service, reading a part of the tenth chapter of Romans. Mrs. Hill and Miss Milligan led in prayer. Miss Milligan, Literature Secretary, gave an interesting report of the work done by the Literature Department, showing a large sale of books, prayer cycles, and other literature.

The year was closed with all bills paid and contributions of $100.00 each to the Junior Magazine and the contingent fund of the Board. Report was adopted.

The Junior Missionary Magazine report was read by Mrs. J. B. Hill in the absence of Miss Carrie M. Reed, the editor. Miss Reed made a plea for 10,000 subscriptions by January, 1918, when the magazine will become of age, twenty-one years since the first number was published. She also urged that the Magazine Reserve Fund of $1000, started by Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson, which has reached the sum of $436 be completed. This report on motion was adopted.

Miss Hazel Flagg, Treasurer of the Women's Missionary Magazine, presented her report which showed a splendid balance in the treasury with no indebtedness whatever outstanding or unpaid. Report on motion was adopted.

Mrs. Moore, editor of the Magazine gave a report of the new subscriptions which had been received, showing a total of 1017 from August 1, 1916, to May 8, 1917. While this report was being given, bolts of white paper ribbon containing the names of the new subscribers and their addressess, were draped about the walls of the auditorium.

A very unique way of bringing the subject of the Magazine before the Convention was given by a dialogue entitled the "Transformation of the thimble circle."

The special subject of the "Quiet Hour" was "Our Recruiting Forces" and as at other sessions the scripture, prayer and remarks related and applied to the work as represented by the reports which preceeded and followed the "Quiet Hour." Special prayer was asked for Miss Margaret Kerr, of Knoxville College, who is very ill in the hospital.

The report of the Young Women's Secretary, Miss Ida B. Little, showed splendid work being done by the Young Women; twenty-one new societies organized; 190 Societies contributing to Young Women's special work, and contributions larger than last year. Report on motion was adopted.

This being the Silver Anniversary of the Junior Department, particular interest was taken in the report of Mrs. I. H. Milliken, the Junior Secretary. Her report was full of interesting items in regard to the progress of the Junior Work. The Anniversary Life Membership fees are to be used to buy an X-Ray machine for Tanta Hospital. 253 Life Memberships were reported for this year, Elizabeth Craig Coyle who was made Life Member by her parents, was presented, making 255 to date. The Juniors have contributed to every department of the Women's Work. Twenty societies are on the Honor Roll having contributed over $100. The report was adopted.

A short discussion of reports followed. Mrs. Campbell explaining further in regard to plan for Life Directors, telling of the origin of the plan and also the privileges to be extended to Life Directors. Mrs. Campbell moved that we heartily approve of the action taken to have Life Directors of the Women's General Missionary Society. Mrs. Campbell then presehted the receipt for the first $300 for Life Director, which had been made out to Mr. McDaniel on receipt of that amount, making his mother, Catherine Hudleson McDaniel, the first Life Director. Mrs. Campbell moved that if a friend could be found who would make the effort to secure 1,000 members, he be asked to do so. Motion carried.

The Juniors in celebration of their Anniversary then presented a most interesting program. A full description of which will be found in the Junior Secretary's printed report. The birthday cake with its twenty-five burning candles, the silver bells, and the fine recitations of the boys and girls, in which they told the story of the growth of the Junior Work from its infancy, all made the hour most pleasing to an attentive audience. The chart which was hung up for inspection at the close gave their total offerings for the twenty-five years to be $194,090.32.

Mrs. Elliott presented a beautiful banner, the gift of Mrs. E. M. Hill to the Women's General Missionary Society, to Mrs. Goldsphon, the delegate from Wisconsin, to take home to her Presbyterial Junior Society in recognition of their attaining perfection on the six points required.

The congregational Thank-Offering taken on Thank-Offering evening amounted to $104.27.

Mrs. McGarey closed the meeting with prayer.

Monday Evening.

Foreign Missionary Evening

Mrs. H. C. Campbell, the Foreign Secretary, presided. It is not often

Convention is favored with missionaries from all of the fields and in such numbers as is this one. Eleven from the foreign fields and one new one just appointed were on the platform.

An anthem by the choir was followed by reading of the Scripture by Miss Rose Wilson, of India. Miss Leota Cabeen, of Egypt, led in prayer and a solo by Mr. Will J. Coyle was followed by a recital by Miss Cynthia Wilson of "What Mine Eyes Have Seen" after forty-two years of service in India.

Miss Elizabeth McCahon who went out forty-two years ago to India told of "Her Heart Longings" for that benighted land. Miss Kate Hill spoke of the Medical Work, and Miss L. B. Hamilton spoke of "Seed Sowing."

Dr. White and Mary J. Campbell were presented but did not give any message at this time, also Mrs. Nichol, widow of Rev. Nichol, of India. Mr. Arthur Warnock sang "The Lord is My Helper." Miss Helen Ferrier, Miss Roxy Martin, and Miss Elsie French spoke on the "Development of Character of Egypt's Daughters Through Educational and Medical Institutions and Zenana Visitation."

Miss Elsie Grove told us about the only boarding school in the Sudan. The time was all too short for these devoted women to do justice either to their subjects or themselves, but we were glad to have the opportunity of coming face to face with those who were laboring in our stead in those far off lands.

Mrs. Campbell read the honor roll of those Presbyterials who had paid their pledges to foreign salaries on time. She also announced that Dr. Spencer makes himself the responsible agent of the Spencer family for the salary of Miss Kate E. Spencer of India and also that Miss Margaret Given pledges the salary of Miss Mary Thompson of Egypt as a Memorial of her father and mother and her brother-in-law, Rev. J. D. Sands.

Letter from Tennessee Presbyterial stated that they would undertake the support of Miss Chalmers, who goes to Egypt.

A most happy surprise was given the audience by Mrs. Campbell. A friend had been found who had volunteered to try and find the 1,000 Life Directors in the person of Mr. O. S. Johnston, of Hutchison, Kansas, who has made his mother, Mrs. K. C. Johnston, of McConnelsburg, Pa., the second Life Director. Mr. Johnston was introduced by Mrs. Campbell. Mr. Johnston presented the name of Lelo Collinwood, of Pretty Prairie, Kansas, who is made a Life Director by his mother, Mrs. Virey Collinwood. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. McGarey.

TUESDAY MORNING.

The President opened the morning session with a devotional service after which the minutes were read and adopted.

Mrs. J. D. Sands, Parsonage Secretary, presented a report of the work of her department. Mrs. Sands asked from the societies a larger interest in their gifts and prayers for the efficient and wise administration of this department so essential to the development of the Home Mission Work of our beloved Church. Report on motion was adopted.

The Temperance Work was presented by Mrs. R. C. Morton, the Secretary. Pledge signing was made the special effort of this department the past year, 6738 being the total number of pledges signed. Report was adopted.

The report of the United Presbyterian Women's Association prepared by Mrs. McDonald was read by Mrs. J. D. [illegible]. This report showed a splendid work [illegible]

ing done in the three institutions under the management of this Association. Miss Sarah B. Hennings has been elected treasurer of the Association to take the place of Mrs. M. J. Steele deceased, who was for many years the most efficient treasurer. Report on motion was adopted.

A discussion of the foregoing reports proved helpful to the delegates. At the devotional hour Mrs. Rankin spoke to us on "Our Example in Service."

The report of the Credential Committee which was adopted, with the adding of two names later, showed a total enrollment of 160. Roll was called.

The Committee on Nominations presented their report, which was on motion adopted. The report presented two names for each office of President, First and Second Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Women's Magazine Committee, and five for the Board of Directors.

The Convention proceeded with the election of officers.

The Committee on Place reported that in view of the fact that next years was the thirtieth anniversary of the Thank-Offering Movement they would recommend that the invitation from the Allegheny Presbyterial Missionary Society to hold the Convention of 1918 in North Side, Pittsburgh, Pa., be accepted. Report was adopted.

Mrs. Campbell presented the following:

I hereby give notice that I or some one in my place will offer the following by-law for adoption at the next annual Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society.

(a). Any person may become a Life Director of the Women's General Missionary Society by the payment of three hundred dollars ($300.00) at one time.

(b). Any person may enroll the name of a friend as a Life Director of the Women's General Missionary Society, either as an honor to the living or in memory of one who has gone from earth by the payment of the above named sum of money.

(c). Fees for Life Directorships may be given as Thank-Offerings, but no other designation is permitted.

(d). Life Directors have all the privileges of Life Members and in addition may attend any afternoon session of a regular meeting of the Women's Board.

The following names were presented as Life Directors in memorium:

Miss Mary Anderson by her sister, Miss Sarah Anderson; Mr. J. W. Duff by his widow, Mrs. J. W. Duff, of Sterling, Kansas; Mrs. Jean S. Miller by her daughter, Mrs. H. C. Campbell; Mrs. Alter presented the name of her son who is in India, pledging her future earnings to the amount of $300.

Time having arrived to go to the college, a motion was made and carried that we convene fifteen minutes earlier for the afternoon session, and that the report of the Committee on Recommendations be heard immediately after the devotional service.

A telegram of greetings was received from Mrs. Alice McClure, who was on the program but was unable to be present on account of the illness of her daughter.

The session adjourned with the benediction by Rev. G. I. Findley.

Tuesday Afternoon.

The afternoon devotions were led by Miss Geneva L. Schuck. The report of the Committee on Recommendations was heard and on motion, was considered seriatim.

The report as amended was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECOMMENDATIONS.

1st. Realizing that knowledge is power; to know is to do; and that our knowledge of the missionary activities of the United Presbyterian Women comes to us through our Magazine; we therefore, recommend that every member of the Sterling Convention be diligent in securing subscribers for the Women's and Junior Missionary Magazines.

2nd. As Christian women we need to be mindful of the ways we can best assist in the King's Business; therefore, we recommend that our delegates on returning to their Presbyterials, and local societies, insist that all officers send their reports in promptly; and that Treasurers of local Societies be prompt in sending money to Presbyterial Treasurers, so that they may at least report quarterly to the General Treasurer.

3rd. Whereas we know the great blessing the Thank-Offering has been in extending the Master's work, and the present year is its 30th Anniversary, we recommend that all delegates carry to their Presbyterials a full account of this past year's Thank-Offering; and that a ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLAR goal be set for this year closing December 31st, 1917.

4th. Whereas the charter does not provide for the payment of the expenses of all the members of the Women's Board, to the Women's General Missionary Convention, we recommend that Article 3, Section 5, be amended to read: "The Traveling expenses of all members of the Women's Board to the Annual Convention be paid by the Board.

5th. We recommend that the Pledge Signing still be continued this year, and that every woman in our Church lend her influence against the terrible evils of Intemperance and use of cigarettes.

6th. We recommend that all delegates report to their individual Societies and Presbyterials, the urgent need of the Contingent Fund, and its prompt payment.

Respectfully submitted.

MRS. MYRTLE L. MARTIN.
MRS. F. D. MCKEE.
MRS. ALBERT BICKETT.
MRS. J. D. SCOULLER.

Mrs. J. C. Alter, Field Secretary, gave a report of her work, and emphasized the points of the Standard of Efficiency. Report adopted.

Miss Kate Hill, Field Secretary, told of her work the past few months in visiting the Presbyterials in the Eastern part of our country. Report was adopted.

Dr. Maria White, of India, and Miss Helen Ferrier, of Egypt, gave very brief accounts of Missionary Societies in their countries.

Attention was called to the various banners on the walls many of which were from the Pittsburgh Convocation.

A paper prepared by Rev. James Quay, of the Convocation Committee, was presented by Mrs. Campbell. On account of the lateness of the hour, a motion prevailed that it be printed in the July Magazine without reading.

The last of the "Quiet Hours" conducted by Mrs. Rankin was most impressive and was the climax of all the meditations on service.

Miss Mary Campbell, of India, addressed us on the work of temperance in the field of India.

Mrs. R. J. Hutton moved that the question box be omitted, unless there be time before the close of the meeting. Motion carried.

Report of the Tellers was received, showing the following persons elected:

President: Mrs. E. C. Wellman, Sterling, Kansas.

First Vice-President: Mrs. C. C. Kyle, Tarkio, Mo.

Second Vice-President: Mrs. R. W. Burnside, Philadelphia, Pa.

Secretary: Mrs. J. T. Logue, Cleveland, Ohio.

Board of Directors: Mrs. J. D. Sands, Mrs. I. H. Milliken, Mrs. J. B. Hill, Miss Carrie Reed, Mrs. R. C. Morton.

Magazine Committee: Mrs. George Moore, Xenia, Ohio; Miss Hazel Flagg, Xenia, Ohio.

The report was accepted with a rising vote. The officers present were brought to the platform and presented to the Convention.

Mrs. J. H. Maxwell, Recording Secretary of the Board, gave the following notice:

A meeting of the Corporation will be held in the Assembly Room, Publication Bldg., Ninth Street, Pittsburgh, Pa., May 29th, 1917, at 10 a. m., fourteen days after the adjournment of the Convention. All delegates to Convention and members of the Women's Board are voting members of this meeting. The Presbyterial who entertains the Convention next year will see that the names of Local Committee are in hands of the Board before the meeting of the Corporation.

The Reformed Church of the United States is to hold its triennial meeting on May 23, 1917, at Akron, Ohio. In view of the fact that this denomination gave to our Church, Mrs. George Moore, the editor of our Women's Missionary Magazine, and that Mrs. Moore is to address that meeting, Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter moved that this Convention authorize Mrs. Moore to extend to the officers and delegates of the Reformed Church Convention our heartiest greetings in the words of First Corinthians 3:9, "We are laborers together with God." Motion carried.

Mrs. Campbell presented the idea of annuity bonds and made the following motion which was adopted:

That the Board of Directors of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America be authorized to issue Life Annuity Bonds and to affix the corporate seal of the society thereto. Said bonds to be in denominations of fifty dollars ($50.00) and up to five thousand dollars ($5,000.00) at varying rates of annual interest according to the age of the annuitant.

The Committee on Memorials which had under consideration the Memorials from Kansas City and Mercer Presbyterials brought in the following report which was on motion adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS.

Memorial from Kansas City Presbyterial.

The Kansas City Presbyterial would respectfully memorialize the Women's General Missionary Society to meet in Convention in Sterling, Kans., May 11, 1917, for a change in the Mission Study Lessons and would present the following reasons:

First: In all societies the majority of members are housewives, office girls, and clerks, and have little time for study.

Second: Two different subjects in two different text-books to be planned for and studied, for each meeting. Time allowed about three-quarters of an hour.

Third: Twice the past year, programs expected us to cover three chapters at each monthly meeting.

Fourth: The money expended, for which there is no adequate return, buying two or three books each y

The majority can have only a very superficial knowledge of each book because of the vast amount of space covered and little time for study.

Fifth: It gives too little time for study of our own mission fields.

Sixth: We suggest that there be one mission study book each year. That the first six weeks of the year be devoted to a mission study class, and the first six months, a chapter at each meeting and outside helps used freely.

Your committee would recommend that the method which has been built up by most careful thought and tested by experience, be adhered to; any society requiring a different method, being privileged to adopt one suited to their needs.

From Mercer Presbyterial, the following recommendations were received:

Resolved, that we recommend the Women's General Missionary Society to memorialize the General Assembly to approve the taking of a special offering on Mother's Day to be used in bringing Christ to the mothers and future mothers of the foreign fields.

We recommend that no such action be taken as in the judgment of the Committee, this work is already being efficiently done by the Women's General Missionary Society.

Signed,

MRS. C. C. KYLE.
MRS. F. W. MILLER.
MISS JENNIE HOGG.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions as read, considered seriatim, and adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

RESOLVED: That the members of this Convention are deeply grateful to our heavenly Father for the many manifestations of His love and favor during the past year. In the face of increased expense on all sides, sufficient funds have come into the treasury to enable our Board to close the year with no deficit but with a balance in every department. Our missionaries, amid all the dangers incident to the great war now raging, have come and gone in safety. Our work has prospered in all departments. The delegates, officers, and visitors have come, many from a great distance, to this Convention in peace and safety. All of these blessings have come from His hand and we bow before Him in grateful acknowledgement.

RESOLVED: That this Convention adopt the following resolution and send a copy to the President:

RESOLVED: That we, the members of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church, in the 34th Annual Convention in session at Sterling, Kansas, representing a membership of over 46,000, do, in this 15th day of May, express our confidence in the much esteemed President of our beloved country and assure him of our hearty support.

We, who are giving up our husbands, sons and brothers, for the sake of our country, do earnestly petition him, that in order to keep our soldiers from intemperance and its attendant evils and in order to conserve the world's food supply, which is seriously menaced by the destroying annually of 600,000,000 bushels of grain for the manufacture of intoxicating liquors, to use his great influence and executive power in bringing about National Prohibition, at least during the term of the war.

RESOLVED: That the Convention extend to the three members of the Local Committee, Mrs. J. W. Duff, Mrs. E. C. Wellman, and Mrs. Adella Lees, who have suffered sore bereavement since undertaking the work of planning for

this Convention, our loving and heartfelt sympathy. Our Father, Who doeth all things well, has seen fit to take their loved ones to Himself. We pray that they may be sustained and strengthened by His love and presence.

RESOLVED: That the delegates and visitors to this Convention, desiring to express their appreciation of the untiring efforts of the good people of Sterling, Kansas, for the success of this Convention and for the comfort and entertainment of their guests, do now take this opportunity of expressing to Rev. and Mrs. McGarey, to the Local Committee, to the faculty and students of Cooper College, to the women, young people, choir, juniors, and to any others, who have contributed to the success of this Convention, our heartfelt thanks.

MRS. R. A. HUTCHISON.
MRS. MARY E. WHITE.
MRS. W. M. NICHOL.

Mrs. I. H. Milliken presented the two newest Junior Life Members, Elizabeth and Margaret Kilbourn, who had been made Life Members by their father as a surprise to their mother.

Mrs. Campbell moved that the Secretary send a telegram of sympathy to Mrs. Samuel Yourd, the President of the Women's Board, expressing our love and sympathy in her afflictions. Motion carried.

Mr. Johnston reported other Life Directorships:

Mrs. E. H. Lees in memory of her deceased husband, Essington H. Lees, of Sterling, Kansas.

Mrs. Alexander, of Topeka, Kansas, in memory of Henry and Jane Savage.

Mrs. John Paisley, Burlington, Iowa, in memory of her deceased husband, Captain John Paisley.

Mrs. Rev. W. P. McGarey, Sterling, Kans., by M. M. Cuthbertson, A. D. Warnock and W. H. Dunlap, of Sterling, Kansas.

Minutes were read and adopted.

The session was closed with prayer by Mrs. McClellan.

TUESDAY EVENING.

Young Women's Evening, Miss Ida B. Little, presiding.

The devotional service was led by Miss Helen R. Donnan, Miss Elsie French, of Egypt, leading in prayer.

A beautiful solo by Miss Gladys Homes was followed by a Pageant entitled, "Behold the Fields are White."

Just before the closing words of the President, Mrs. Elliott, the name of Mrs. Florence Watson, of Beloit, Kansas, was presented as a Life Director by her husband, Rev. W. B. Watson.

A Motion to adjourn was followed by the closing prayer and benediction by Rev. McGarey.

MRS. R. A. ELLIOTT, President.
MRS. J. T. LOGUE, Secretary.

REPORT OF

RECORDING SECRETARY.

IT IS with anxious hearts we bring to you our Thirty-fourth Annual Report. Anxious, why? Because our Nation has entered into this dreadful war. What will it mean to us? What will it mean to our missionaries, to our work abroad and at home? Anxious, perhaps, but not faithless. Let us claim the promise in the 46th Psalm: "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved; he uttered his voice the earth melted. The Lord of hosts is with us. The God of Jacob is our refuge. He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh the bow and cutteth the spear in sunder; he burneth the chariot in the fire. Be still and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge."

Our hearts have rejoiced, yet have we been humbled very low when we acknowledge God's goodness to us. Our work in foreign lands has not been seriously hindered; our missionaries have been preserved at their work and in their coming to the homeland and going to the foreign land. Our Board has closed its work without a deficit. Well may we exclaim, "The Lord has done great things for us whereof we are glad."

On June 6th the Women's Board reorganized with the following officers:

President, Mrs. Samuel Yourd.

1st Vice President, Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter.

2nd Vice President, Mrs. J. D. Sands.

Recording Secretary, Mrs. John S. Crawford.

Treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Hill.

The Department Secretaries, also the committees, for 1916 and 1917, you will find on the inside cover of the Women's Magazine.

Our meetings during the year have been well attended, with the exception of two members, who have been detained by illness. We have held 23 regular, 6 called and 1 executive meetings. There have been 180 addresses made by the members of the Board during the year.

Mrs. Cook and Miss Milligan were appointed delegates to the General Assembly which met in Cleveland.

Mrs. Porter was appointed to conduct Denominational Methods at the Conference of Missions at Chautauqua which was held August 12th and 18th inclusive.

At the Board meeting held June 20th, it was decided that Life Membership should be credited to the Thank-Offering and go to Tanta Hospital for another year.

Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Trimble were appointed delegates to attend the Wilmington Conference between the Foreign Board, the Women's Board and missionaries which was held August 9th and 11th.

A new Summer School of Missions, an outgrowth of the wonderfully successful Summer School at Northfield, Mass., will be held at Chambersburg, Pa., June 28th to July 5th, 1917. Mrs. Porter was appointed to represent the Board and Miss Little to have charge of the Camp, which the Board has named Camp Gordon—in honor of "Auntie" Gordon, our first single lady missionary to India.

Mrs. Porter and Mrs. Geo. Moore were appointed to represent the Board at the

meeting of Federation of Women's Boards of Foreign Missions, and World Alliance for Promoting International Friendship through the Churches held at Garden City, January 13th and 14th, 1917.

At the meeting of December 5th a tentative program of the Foreign Mission Convocation, held in the First Church, North Side, Pittsburgh, January 30th, 31st and February 1st, was presented. Thursday, January the 31st, was designated as Women's Day. Committee on program was appointed. Mrs. Porter presided at the morning session and Mrs. Sands in the afternoon. Mrs. Campbell was authorized to make an appeal from the Board for foreign missions at the afternoon session, the Junior hour being in charge of Mrs. Milliken. The good that has resulted from this Convocation, which has now gone down into history, can never be estimated.

On November 7th, Miss Kate Hill, home from India on furlough, was elected one of our Field Secretaries. She has done some very effective work in the East.

Miss Hill suggested to the Board that they establish a meeting for prayer, where interested persons might go for a season of prayer and information. Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Maxwell were appointed to meet with Miss Hill and formulate plans for such meetings. On December 19th this Committee presented the following report:

We recommend that a weekly meeting for Prayer, Information and Inspiration be held by the Women's Board for the women of Pittsburgh and vicinity. Place: Women's Board rooms; time: every Tuesday; hour: ten to eleven a. m.; program, to consist 1st, devotional exercises; 2nd, special prayer for the work and workers whose names appear in the Prayer Cycle for that week; 3rd, special messages from various fields by the Secretaries, missionaries or visitors who may have something interesting to bring.

The first meeting was held January 2nd, 1917, Miss Hill having charge of the January and February meetings and Miss Paden of March and April. These meetings have been very successful and well attended—at times there being scarcely standing room in the large Assembly Room of the Publication Building—and there has been present those who have come quite a distance, as well as a number of missionaries and missionaries' wives.

On December 18th we were shocked and grieved to learn that Mrs. Samuel Yourd, our beloved President and Freedmen's Secretary, had been stricken with paralysis. Today she has partly recovered but is still unable to resume her Board work. We can but bow our hearts in submission and say, "God's will be done." In order that her work as Freedmen's Secretary be carried on during her illness, an executive meeting of the Board was called on December 19th and the following changes were recommended:

1st: That Mrs. Wilson be appointed Freedmen's Secretary pro tem.

2nd: That Mrs. Crawford be elected Indian Secretary.

3rd: That Mrs. Maxwell serve as Recording Secretary.

4th: Mrs. Trimble, Secretary of Finance.

Mrs. Porter reported that during the Missionary Convocation a delegate from Iowa, a devoted son of a mother well known throughout the Church, desiring to have her name kept in remembrance, suggested the plan of having Life Directors of the Women's General Missionary Society, through a stated

and asked the privilege of placing his mother's name first on the honor list. The Board recommends to the women of the Church the idea of having Life Directors at an undesignated fee of $300.00 and that Mrs. Porter write it up in the Magazine and that the subject be presented to the Women's General Missionary Society now in session.

On account of long protracted illness in her home, Mrs. R. Maurice Trimble, sent in her resignation as a member of the Women's Board which was read at the meeting held March 20th and with deep regret it was accepted. Miss Ida B. Little was elected Secretary of Finance in Mrs. Trimble's place.

Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Hill were appointed to visit all Freedmen's stations where we have work.

The subject of Annuities was presented to the Board and Mrs. Campbell was appointed to present it to the Sterling Convention.

At the meeting held April 3rd, a letter was read from the Pittsburgh Chapter of the American Red Cross, asking that the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America join this Chapter. It was voted that as a corporation we take out a $25.00 membership.

At the meeting held April 17th, Mrs. D. J. Brown was elected a member of the Board to fill out the unexpired term of Mrs. Trimble. At the same meeting a motion was made that we recommend to the Women's General Missionary Society that all the names of Life Members be published annually in the July number of the Women's Missionary Magazine.

Mrs. Crawford and Mrs. Maxwell were appointed to visit the Indian stations.

The terms of office of Mrs. J. D. Sands, Mrs. J. B. Hill, Mrs. R. C. Morton, Mrs. I. H. Milliken, and Miss Carrie M. Reed expire with this meeting.

In closing this report we can say with the Psalmists, "Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy name give glory."

MRS. J. H. MAXWELL,
Recording Secretary.

REPORT OF

STATISTICAL SECRETARY.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1917.

TWELVE NEW societies were organized this year; 2103 new members were added to the rolls; 738 boxes with an estimated value of $12,244 were sent to the needy; 8213 subscriptions to the Magazine and 123 Life Members were recorded on the blanks; 166 societies reported on the Standard of Efficiency. Those having the highest averages are as follows:

Allegheny Presbytery, Ben Avon Society, 100 per cent.

Allegheny Presbytery, Aspinwall Society, 90 per cent.

Argyle Presbytery, West Hebron Society, 98 per cent.

Arkansas Valley Presbytery, Sterling Society, 100 per cent.

Butler Presbytery, Grove City King's Daughters' Society, 90 per cent.

Butler Presbytery, Zelienople Society, 90 per cent.

Cleveland Presbytery, Fourth Cleveland Society, 95 per cent.

Cleveland Presbytery, Alliance Society, 90 per cent.

Cleveland Presbytery, South Youngstown Society, 90 per cent.

College Springs Presbytery, Clarinda Society, 90 per cent.

Colorado Presbytery, First Denver Society, 100 per cent.

Colorado Presbytery, Ft. Morgan Society, 100 per cent.

Colorado Presbytery, Loveland Society, 98 per cent.

Conemaugh Presbytery, Conemaugh Society, 100 per cent.

Des Moines Presbytery, First Des Moines Society, 95 per cent.

Illinois Southern Presbytery, Marissa Society, 100 per cent.

Kansas City Presbytery, First Topeka Society, 100 per cent.

Kansas City Presbytery, 2nd Topeka Society, 100 per cent.

Los Angeles Presbytery, Long Beach Society, 100 per cent.

Ohio Presbytery, Second Cincinnati Society, 100 per cent.

Ohio Presbytery, Fair Haven Society, 100 per cent.

Philadelphia Presbytery, Tenth Philadelphia Society, 90 per cent.

Philadelphia Presbytery Fairhill Society, 90 per cent.

San Francisco Presbytery, Oakland Society, 100 per cent.

Sidney Presbytery, Huntsville Society, 95 per cent.

Xenia Presbytery, Sugar Creek Society, 90 per cent.

12 societies attained 100 per cent.; not a very large percentage out of a total of 831 senior societies in America.

28 Presbyterial societies have contributed to the W. G. M. S. Expense Fund to the amount of $215.00.

AMERICA.

No. Presbyteries	64
No. Presbyterial Societies	63
No. Presbyterial Societies Reporting	63
No. Women's Societies	831
No. Members	22416
No. Young Women's Societies	328
No. Members	7646
No. Junior and Little Light Bearers' Societies	554
No. Members	14987
Total Number Societies	1713
Total Number Members	45049

FOREIGN.

No. Presbyteries	11
No. Presbyterial Societies	9
No. Presbyterial Societies Reporting	5
No. Women's Societies	23
No. Members	531
No. Young Women's Societies	4
No. Members	310
No. Junior and Little Light Bearers' Societies	13
No. Members	1342
Total Number Societies	40
Total Number Members	2183

SUMMARY.

Total Number Societies—America	1713
Total Number Societies—Foreign	40
Grand Total	1753
Total Number Members—America	45049
Total Number Members—Foreign	2183
Grand Total	47232

The contributions reported on the blanks were as follows:

AMERICA.

Foreign Missions	$ 11,767.00
Foreign Salaries	24,695.00
Home Missions	10,706.00
Indian Work	2,339.00
Freedmen's Missions	4,591.00
Church Extension and Parsonage	2,803.00
Ministerial Relief	1,387.00
Presbyterial Expense Fund	2,046.00
Temperance	887.00
Congregation Work in Home Mission Churches	8,297.00
District Work	3,015.00
Orphan's Home	566.00
Columbia Hospital	753.00
Aged People's Home	871.00
Senior Thank-Offering (reported on blanks, not total)	53,800.00
Isaiah 41:6 Fund	523.00
Total	$129,050.00

FOREIGN.

Regular Offering	$ 1,181.00
Thank-Offering	75.00
Total	$ 1,256.00

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. MAURICE TRIMBLE,

Statistical Secretary.

REPORT OF

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

WHEN THE good housekeeper balances her accounts at the close of the year and finds a goodly credit balance or when the business man has a fair margin in his favor, a quiet content is manifest. So in matters of the Kingdom. The trustees of such funds are happy to report no debt and a fair balance in the treasury.

The Loans and Investment Department has one new loan to its credit, Rev. John G. Thompson of Florence Avenue Mission, Los Angeles. One congregation, Salineville, Ohio, has made full satisfaction as to loan and interest, so is free from further obligation.

The administration expenses have been met as formerly: by interest on church loans, bank balances, surplus funds and contributions of Presbyterials. Interested and generous friends have also given to this fund the sum of $100.50. We are especially indebted to one who yearly contributes the salary of a stenographer, $600.00.

Seven congregations have paid on their loans this year aside from the one paid in full. Total payments, $1608.13.

Thirty-nine Presbyterials and Warm Springs Missions contributed to the Contingent Fund. $200.42 were thus brought into the treasury. When the other twenty-four Presbyterials remember this matter, an increase worthy of note will be reported.

The Loans and Investment Account to date is as follows:

LOANS AND INVESTMENTS ACCOUNT.

CONGREGATIONS	Balance April 15, 1916	Receipts Principal	Interest	Balance April 15, 1917
Benha Girls' School, Egypt	$ 100.00			$ 100.00
Brockton, Mass.	1425.00		71.26	1425.00
Chartiers, Pa.	2128.42	46.80	53.20	2081.62
Chicago, Third	1800.00	23.40	476.60	1776.60
Chicago, Fifth	1451.69	104.62	70.38	1347.07
Chicago, Sixth	600.00		36.00	600.00
Chicago, Eighth	1396.11	382.53	70.00	1013.58
Gary, Indiana	3000.00			3000.00
Grinnell, Iowa	1690.00		50.00	1690.00
Indiana Harbor	3500.00	100.00	402.50	3400.00
Palisade Ave., N. J.	925.00	225.00	43.13	700.00
Salineville, Ohio	600.00	600.00	29.19	
Allegheny, Twelfth	2442.52		62.03	2442.52
Washtucna, Wash.	400.00		50.00	400.00
	$21458.74			
Rev. John G. Thompson, Florence Ave. Mission, Los Angeles, taken out August 16, 1916	1000.00	125.78	24.22	874.22
Total	$22458.74	$1608.13	$1438.51	$20850.61

CONTINGENT FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, April 15, 1916	$ 553.92
On Account of Loans	1608.13
On Account of Interest on Loans	1438.51
Interest and Sale of T. O. Supplies	2592.11
Interest on Investments	299.21
Interst on Checking Account	298.53
Interest on Balances	18.32
For Contingent Fund from Literature Department	100.00
Convention Expenses of One Delegate to Sterling	75.00
Offering—Spokane Convention	41.39
Offering—Xenia Convention	52.83
A Friend	25.00
A Friend	.50
Salary of Stenographer (A Friend)	600.00
Presbyterials	200.42
Refunds	31.57
Items of Cents	5.52
	$7940.96

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Gen. Treas. on Account of Loans	$1608.13
Rent	858.00
Junior Magazine	225.00
Office Expenses and Clerk Hire	1751.25
Thank-Offering Supplies	868.91
Convention and Missionary Conference Expenses	551.95
Printing Statistics, Statistical Blanks and Postage	556.36
Stationery	246.53
Treasurer's Bond	50.00
Rent of Safety Boxes (2)	22.00
Telephone Rent	83.75
Junior Life Member Certificates	8.50
Printing Treasurer's Report	10.00
Junior Banner for Sterling Convention	25.00
Taxes	7.74
Ice	17.10
Auditor	100.00
Attorney	60.00
Field Secretary Expenses	8.70
Life Membership Certificates	87.75
American Red Cross Chapter Membership	25.00
Sundries	5.41
	$7177.08
Balance April 15, 1917	$ 763.88

The following Presbyterials contributed to the Contingent Fund:

Beaver Valley	$ 5.00
Monongahela	15.00
Westmoreland	5.00
Sidney	6.00
Cedar Rapids	5.00
Detroit	5.00
Cleveland	5.00
Iowa Northwest	3.75
Concordia	5.00
Butler	5.00
Mercer	5.00
Texas	3.00
Argyle	5.00
Brookville	5.00
Hudson	5.00
Oklahoma	.95
Philadelphia	5.00
Keokuk	5.00
Vermont	2.00
Mansfield	5.00
Chicago	5.00
Allegheny	10.00
Ohio	5.00
Caledonia	5.00
College Springs	2.00
Kansas City	4.30
Colorado	3.50
Conemaugh	5.00
Warm Springs Agency	.92
Wheeling	5.00
Monmouth	5.00
Delaware	5.00
Xenia	10.00
Los Angeles	5.00
Lake	5.00
Arkansas Valley	5.00
Kiskiminetas	5.00
Muskingum	5.00
Boston	5.00
Chartiers	5.00
	$300.42

I have audited the foregoing account from the beginning of the fiscal year, April 15, 1916, to date, January 1, 1917. I hereby certify that the cash balance on hand, ($480.82) December 31, 1916, and the receipts and disbursements for the period stated are correct.

To Mrs. Ada K. Wilson, Chairman of Finance Committee, January 6, 1917.

A. F. SAWHILL,
Auditor.

I have examined the foregoing account from the date of the last audit, January 6, 1917, and find everything correct. Balance in bank for transfer to account of Miss Ida B. Little, Secretary, $607.45, closing account of Mrs. R. Maurice Trimble as Secretary of Finance.

A. F. SAWHILL,
Auditor.

April 16, 1917.

I have been elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. R. Maurice Trimble, Secretary of Finance.

IDA B. LITTLE,
Chairman Com. of Finance.

REPORT OF

LITERATURE SECRETARY.

THERE HAVE been events that have made years memorable, dates from which to reckon time. There have been days that stood out upon the pages of history as red letter days. Other years have come and gone. Seasons have changed slowly and gradually into seasons, and only the passing of sunshine and darkness have marked the steps of the passing months.

Such has been the turning of the wheel of time with us. Another year has gone slowly day by day and our calendar only could make us realize that we have come again to the hour of the regular annual report. There have been no memorable events nor red letter days; but however uneventful and ordinary, they have been days of gratitude for what our Master has permitted us to accomplish.

We have made an earnest effort to keep before the members of the missionary societies, month by month, through the pages of the Magazine, a complete list of the missionary study books and helps, and the leaflets bearing on the Women's Missionary Society program.

We have drawn largely from other Boards for supplementary literature for mission study classes. These leaflets have been very satisfactory and some have been retained in our file of literature and are listed in our catalogue supplement.

The demand for the foreign study book, "World Missions and World Peace," was not so great as we hoped it would be; but the sale of the home book, "Old Spain in New America," far exceeded that of last year.

This year being the 400th anniversary of the Reformation, the Protestant world is celebrating this great event, which has meant so much to America in realizing its desire for political and religious freedom. The home text-books for the coming year are a study of the Reformation in its influence on our home mission activities. The books are "Missionary Milestones" for adult classes and "Bearers of the Torch" for the Juniors.

The foreign study books are both written by Miss Jean Mackenzie, an experienced missionary in West Africa and an author of distinguished merit and eminent reputation. "An African Trail" is a story of the presentation of the Gospel to primitive peoples; and "African Adventures" is a thrilling story of the jungle for Juniors.

Miss Mackenzie's name has frequently

appeared in the Atlantic Monthly during the past year, and her stories have been fascinating and appealing. This bespeaks for the new study books a popularity that is most unusual.

Could not the Christian women of our churches introduce this book of such vital worth in the story of the extension of Christ's Kingdom, to the club women of our land this year? It would be the means of bringing that which is most worth while into the thought and study of thousands of women who will not find time for missions.

We have reprinted several Junior leaflets during the year. The "Departments of Work" has also been revised and reprinted. Those who wish to be thoroughly informed concerning the various activities of the Women's General Missionary Society should secure the information in this leaflet. We have also printed several new leaflets bearing on our work in the Sudan, Egypt, India, and the mountain district.

The Junior Wall Chart is now out of print. Owing to the increased cost of printing it was not possible to reissue it without an advance in price. This was not thought advisable; so, until conditions become normal, this Junior help will not be reissued.

The manufacturers of the Junior pin have so increased the wholesale cost that we have found it necessary to raise the price of them to 35 cents each, or $3.50 per dozen.

There has been a gratifying demand for the Prayer Cycle. Our first edition of one thousand was soon exhausted and we have published two extra editions of two thousand each.

Through the liberal donation of a friend of missions the department was enabled to send to every missionary of our church, both in the home and foreign field, a copy of the Prayer Cycle. May this generous gift not only bring support and strength to the missionary workers, but may it react in great blessing upon the giver's own life.

The object of the Prayer Cycle is to bring before us our work and our workers, so that we may pray effectively for them as we go apart in our Quiet Time with our Lord.

Christ Himself taught us to pray definitely, and so every station with every worker at that station is listed, so that we may become acquainted with them. The needs will seem more real as we become familiar with names and places. Every department of our denominational activity is listed in the Prayer Cycle in order that we may have our interests and sympathies broadened and deepened, and that our church's mission may have a place in our hearts and lives.

Mrs. Coleman, in her closing words as retiring President of the Council of Women for Home Missions, gave as the key-note of her message, "We need more time with God."

The needs of our mission fields were presented to us in many forms at the Missionary Convocation last winter. They are brought to us continually through the pages of our Magazine and the other church papers. This surely should lead us to realize our need of more time spent in definite, earnest, united prayer to Him Who alone can make us strong to meet the pressing needs which challenge us to a larger and fuller entering into God's plan concerning the world's evangelization.

The Prayer Cycles should be used regularly that our united prayers may find acceptance before the Throne and that we may claim the promise given to those who "agree upon earth as touching anything that they shall ask."

The Literature Department has closed a successful financial year as the following financial statement will show. We have closed the year with all bills paid and have contributed $100 to the Junior Magazine and $100 to the Contingent Fund of the Board.

The following are the statistical and financial statements for the period beginning May 1, 1916, and closing April 15, 1917:

STATISTICAL STATEMENT.

Contribution Envelopes reprinted	15000
Leaflets reprinted	7000
New Leaflets printed	12700
Total	34700

SUPPLIES DISBURSED.

SENIOR.

Mission Study Books	1253
Helps for Study Books	320
Master Builder	4
Women's and Young Women's Envelopes	9150
Pictures	170
Prayer Cycles	3896
W. G. M. S. Pins	24
Costumes Loaned	54
Missionary Magazines	10
Statistical Reports	54
Membership Cards	48
Charts and Posters	27
Maps	55
Leaflets	6078

JUNIOR.

Mission Study Books	169
Study Book Supplies	115
Junior Books	148
Junior Pageants	47
Junior Pins	205
Diplomas	130
Enrollment Cards	106
Wall Charts	18
Missionary Games	2
Membership Cards	87
L. L. B. Certificates	24
L. L. B. Mite Boxes	24
L. L. B. Invitations	10

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1917.

Bank Balance, April 30, 1916	$ 392.41
Cash and Stamps on hand	8.28
Receipts from Sales	1091.78
Interest	5.61
Donation	20.00
Total	$1518.08

DISBURSEMENTS.

Mission Study Books and Helps	$ 479.07
Other Books	6.50
Postage	124.14
Revenue Stamps	2.00
Printing	453.53
Leaflets	56.41
Express	12.27
Refunds	.95
Magazine correction	1.00
Junior Diploma Design	10.00
To Junior Magazine	100.00
To Contingent	100.00
Office Expense	29.09
Total Disbursements	$1374.96
Balance on hand, April 15, 1917	$ 143.12
Cash and Stamps on hand	2.78
Bank Balance	$ 140.34

Respectfully submitted,

R. Elizabeth Milligan,

Literature Secretary.

I hereby certify that the above is a correct statement of the results in the Literature Department for the fiscal year ending April 15, 1917, and that I find the accounts correct and satisfactory, after a careful examination.

A. F. Sawhill,

Auditor.

REPORT OF

YOUNG WOMEN'S WORK.

"WE ARE always tempted to think that this moment is commonplace and insignificant. Yesterday lies consecrated in memory; tomorrow radiant in hope; but today is poverty-stricken and prose," said Alexander McClaren. How true this is regarding most work in which one is engaged. The very nearness to it enables us to note the defects, the slow growth, the apparent inefficiency of it all.

We are happy to be in a business which is the King's own. There are defects and weaknessess, but the fact of any present development is encouraging. "We need look back to no purple distance, nor forward to any horizon where sky and earth kiss," the present and its attainments are warrant enough for us to go forward.

The report to be submitted is similar to that of other years—only larger. As usual, some societies, twenty-one, failed to report and so have no record except name and last year's membership. A few societies in one Presbyterial failed to send in any report, but their very kind Presbyterial treasurer and very patient Young Women's Secretary filled the spaces that would have otherwise remained vacant. These societies are like the moon; they shine by borrowed light. Twenty-nine new societies have been formed and alas and alack! thirteen have disbanded. Quite a pity for such an organization to cease to exist because it was too much trouble to keep it going. Sometimes we need to grit our teeth and go forward steadily. Twenty-four societies report having had mission study classes. A number of very hearty responses to requests for contributions to the Young Women's Corner in the Magazine have been received. Such gracious letters give one new courage.

Each Presbyterial Secretary received a letter from headquarters the early part of the year so that the same information was received North, South, East and West. In a sense, each section was equal as far as mere information went, but as to results, a varied difference.

Letters by the score have been written in response to queries regarding proposed work or outlines for talks, or points for debate, or suggestive round tables for Presbyterials, or hints for new organizations, besides the monthly solicitations for magazine articles. Also, a tracer was sent after each delinquent society. A second or a third was sometimes needed to secure the desired information.

Many of the Secretaries have read their letters of instruction regarding the compiling of blanks, judging by the condition of the blanks. No blank was too late. Two were not returned. If each Secretary would forward the self-addressed postal found among each set of blanks on receipt of the material, it would cause the General Secretary a little less nervousness, for she would then know the proper destination had been reached.

Ohio Presbyterial occupies first place in number of new societies during the year, reporting four, and Philadelphia second with three to its credit. Monongahela and Chartiers Presbyterials tied for first place in number of mission study classes, each having had four classes. Allegheny occupies second place with three, and Colorado third with two classes. Other Presbyterials report

one class each are, Rock Island, Steubenville, Xenia, Butler, Cleveland, College Springs, Des Moines, Garnett, Lake, Los Angeles, and Monmouth.

There seems to be a decided aversion to a definite mission study class. Some have no time; others are not fond of study; still others contend that to study the book and then have a year's program based on it will make the meetings irksome. A very bright woman so decided one year. She omitted the six weeks class from her routine. Before the year's programs had little more than begun, she said she had made a serious blunder; that she felt illy prepared to appreciate the book met for the first time in the monthly missionary meeting. She is a regular attendant each fall when the study class meets. How about those of us who are just mediocre, not brilliant, if our preparation is likewise meager?

To some people, a set of statistics is like so much dry bread, good for little, but to be cast out. To others it is like real juicy fruit, so refreshing. To satisfy those of the former type, the reading of all statistics except in a general way, will be omitted. To be fair to the others, you will find a full report in this July number of the Magazine.

No. of Presbyterials in America	63
No. of Presbyterials having Young Women's Societies	57
No. Young Women Secretaries (two vacancies awaiting election included)	59
No. Presbyterials sending annual reports	53
No. Y. W. Societies in America	328
No. Y. W. Societies in Egypt	4
Total Number Y. W. Societies in America and Egypt	332
No. Members in America	7646
No. Members in Egypt	310
Total No. Members in America & Egypt	7956
Net gain in America in Membership	445
Total net gain in Egypt and America in Membership	348
No. new societies reported	29
No. Presbyterials reporting new societies	19
No. re-organized	4
No. disorganized	13
No. New Members	951
No. Societies sending no report	51
No. Societies donating boxes or barrels	263
Valuation of same	$2461.00
No. Societies contributing to Young Women's Special Fund	190
No. contributing to Presbyterial Expense Fund	175
No. contributing to Thank-Offering	261
No. contributing to Isaiah 41:6 Fund	50
No. reporting Standard of Efficiency	45
No. Points in Standard of Efficiency reported	2800
No. Life Members (one being Junior)	42
No. Presbyterials contributing to W. G. M. S. Fund (Kiskiminetas, Allegheny, Muskingum, San Francisco)	4
No. Societies returning mission study blanks	183
No. members represented by these societies	5301
No. Presbyterials reporting having had mission study classes	15
No. classes reported	24
No. members in classes	250
No. Magazines taken	791
No. leaflets read	197
No. different books used in study classes	10
No. Societies using subjects in Magazine	133
No. other books used in program	10
No. other mission books read	11
No. young women, 14 years up, eligible for Y. W. M. Society	1180

The increase in contributions for the year over last year's report is very encouraging, $4513.33. (This for America) Egypt's offering is $11.75 short of last year. Its total offering being $345.00. The Thank-Offering was not reported separate from its District funds. The Y. W. Special Fund exceeded last year's by $451.75 and the Thank-Offering is $2123.83 larger than one year ago. Almost enough money was contributed through the Foreign Salary's account to maintain nine workers in the foreign field at a salary of $550 each besides our Special Workers. Every object shows

in the large blank had a contribution from the Young Women.

The contributions were as follows:

Foreign Missions	$ 3,170.00
Foreign Salaries	4,824.00
Home Missions	2,890.00
Indian Work	342.00
Freedmen's Missions	867.00
Church Extension and Parsonage	285.00
Young Women's Special Fund (Treasurer's Account)	3,615.00
Junior Special	7.00
Presbyterial Expense Fund	460.00
Temperance	126.00
Congregational Expense (Home Mission Churches)	233.00
District Work	771.00
Orphans' Home	39.00
Columbia Hospital	61.00
Aged People's Home	35.00
Isaiah 41:6 Fund	107.00
1916 Thank-Offering	13,657.75
W. G. M. S. Fund	12.00
Total	$31,501.75
Egypt—District Work	345.00
Grand Total	$31,846.75

A RESUME—TAKE TO YOUR SOCIETY.

1. Be a society that never fails to send your report on time.

2. Fill out your own report so that the Presbyterial Young Women's Secretary and Treasurer will have no extra burden. Retain for your own use the second blue blank.

3. Report all new societies to the Presbyterial Secretary; also, any society that has disorganized. The Presbyterial Secretary will report promptly to the General Secretary. We do not wish to carry dead timber or overlook any live branches.

4. Each Young Women's Society is responsible to the Young Women's Special Fund. Average amount needed, $1.00 per member.

5. Your Presbyterial needs your support. Remember the Presbyterial Expense Fund.

6. Be a reader at least of the Magazine. If you have no access to one, be a subscriber yourself.

7. The Young Women's Corner in the Magazine is yours. Make yourselves proud of it.

8. Remember in faithfulness the Thank-Offering—as is your custom.

9. If you are to become "fit" missionary young women, definite mission study will be essential. Plan to have a six or eight-week class yearly if possible.

10. If the Standard of Efficiency is to be an incentive to better work, it will need to be used. But forty-five societies reported anything on it this year.

11. Kindly answer promptly letters that require an answer.

12. Make an effort to fill out all blanks relating to Young Women's Work received by you. Valuable information comes from each society doing its "bit."

13. A lucky number! Each society doing its best in every line will make the best possible condition for the report of another year to be the best yet.

"Be diligent in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord." "Rich in good works that they may lay hold on eternal life," the words of Holy Writ.

Horatius Bonar has beautifully written:

"He liveth long who liveth well,
All else is life but flung away;
He liveth longest who can tell
Of true things truly done each day.
Then fill each hour with what will last,
Buy up the moments as they go;
The life above, when this is past,
Is the ripe fruit of life below."

Respectfully submitted,

IDA B. LITTL

REPORT OF

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY MAGAZINE COMMITTEE

WE HAVE another prosperous year to report. The venture to do this work on a larger basis has continued most encouraging in every way.

It is a perfect delight to have good material for our readers, and plenty of space provided for it.

The joy of knowing we can close the year with a creditable balance is good enough, but to be able to exceed all expectations is compensation of exceeding great joy.

A careful reading of the treasurer's report on the following page shows the splendid growth of the Magazine during the time it has enlarged its edition. This is the close of the third year of our advanced work in behalf of an improved Magazine.

The effort to increase the circulation of the Magazine has been most encouraging in results, although the goal is not reached. To the woman in every society who has faithfully taken the responsibility of securing new and renewal subscriptions, year after year, we owe our gratitude.

If it were not that the cause and interest is one, whether we work here or there our obligation to each and every woman would require more than "a vote of thanks."

To place a good Magazine on the table of our readers every month, year after year, is a great responsibility. There are many who are having a part in this great work. The success of the Magazine is largely distributed. One can not boast alone of the prosperity it enjoys in its large and increasing circulation. When we consider all the forces at work to bring this periodical into the homes of our subscribers, our hearts are full of thankfulness to God that He allows us to employ such agencies and bring them all into harmony for the one supreme purpose for which we labor.

Mission Study is permeating the Church. Year after year the interest is widening and the leaven is leavening the whole lump. We begin early in the year to prepare a program that will bring to our readers the best thought and the largest view of Christian missions.

Following this is the greater responsibility, that of securing well prepared articles. Whatever the task and anxiety may be year after year for the making of a good Magazine the experience in securing excellent articles has been most gratifying.

Our Magazine, since the enlarged series has allowed it, has given unstinted space and carefully chosen illustrations in the special numbers it carries. Eleven issues during the year have mission studies prepared from a well defined program.

The ideal is always to lead outward to a world needing Christ—and upward for divine guidance to show the best thought for His cause. During the past year we have maintained this standard through the consecrated writers to our pages.

Mrs. J. P. White and Mrs. Haidee E. Rankin have had unusual difficulties to make this past year popular in their separate but equally important mission study topics. The articles by each of them have come in due time in excellent preparation, both for literary and workmanship skill they have been superior.

Indeed we can not make special mention of any as we would wish to do so satisfactory has been all who have given of their time and thought. We desire to thank our co-editors for the past year. It is as constant a duty as any they have to give to the Magazine that which has made the Magazine so valuable.

Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter has carried four pages without an interruption for many years. Not only the Thank-Offering Department has she so ably edited, but she has enlarged her field and is correspondent for the work of Mission Conferences of Women's Boards and Summer Schools of Missions. Our readers have all this special information through the co-operating influences of Mrs. Porter's membership with the Women's Board of Missions.

We have never been able to carry such a Foreign Correspondence to our readers as we now provide in our enlarged Magazine. Of our co-editors in foreign fields we desire to make special mention. Miss Minnehaha Finney has given us the most interesting news from Egypt and has been able to provide the finest special numbers, all her co-missionaries in Egypt co-operating to make it possible. The same glad experiences have followed the election of a co-editor in India. For three years Mrs. E. L. Porter, Rawalpindi, India, has furnished in correspondence and special numbers the most interesting as well as necessary information concerning our missions in the Punjab. Mrs. Porter with Dr. Porter and family have arrived in America for their furlough. Before leaving India Mrs. Porter gave her duty to another. Mrs. E. F. Stewart of Sialkot, India, has this precious charge and is filling the appointment most devotedly.

Mrs. T. A. Lambie is the chosen editor for the Sudan Mission. Mrs. Lambie is now in the home-land. We know she will devote her best to this wonderful opportunity to give to the Magazine readers a faithful service in behalf of that wonderful land.

Our readers surely have fallen in line with all the specials that come through the Women's Board departments. Since we have assumed the sixty-eight-page issue what delightful monthly reports have found their places on the pages of the Magazine. Every Secretary of the Women's Board has brought the freshest as well as the most important action of the work she represents.

Young women certainly have appreciated the splendid contributions to that department. News from Home, Freedmen and Field Secretaries and the pages of special news by Foreign Secretary all combine to make a wonderful mosaic of handiwork for the Master's building.

If a woman has found her way into the earthly Kingdom of Jesus Christ and is called a member of his church militant and yet has not taken any interest in the extension of the Kingdom she has come into we can not hope to reach her if she cares nothing for the printed page that carries the message. But to those women who do manifest an interest in Christian Missions and yet go year after year without any concern to know by reading the Magazine the work they assume to do it surely is a contradiction of terms to say they are interested and yet they never *know*. The Magazine is not published to give any one a position of honor, much as it is honorable to do the work required. It is not published for financial results though it enjoys the independence more than a self-supporting proposition. It has one supreme purpose for its existence, and its claim to be pla[illegible]

every home. It is the medium of communication from the fields of missionary enterprise, to the believer in Christian Missions, and until every woman professing to love Christ knows of His fields of service the Magazine has not received the support it has a right to claim. There should be sixteen thousand five hundred Magazines sent out every month to accomplish the work undertaken, and the joy of service will be incomplete until this larger circulation is accomplished. It can be accomplished when in every congregation there are men in the pulpit and women in the pew that consider the purpose of the Magazine important.

We will not be satisfied to close this report and not acknowledge some of the aid and forces that are necessary to the success of this publication. The Women's Missionary Magazine Committee could not do their work successfully, or with so little anxiety if it were not for the efficient and co-operating interest shown to us by the publishers of this Magazine and the force of workers they employ. The ever cordial and substantial interest of the Smith Publishing House—Mr. Frank Smith and Mr. Burch Smith—has made this incessant duty a delight. We would like to introduce every one in this publishing house to our readers. When we go to the composing room we have the efficient and sympathetic assistance of the linotyper, Mr. Henkel, and the accurate and untiring service of Mr. Bradfield in the making of the pages, etc. Then when all is ready the faithful Ed. Washington takes the form to the press and does not diminish the care that has preceded this precious duty, but as a master mechanic he watches the thousands of revolutions of the press and follows the work to the end with the same interest and diligence.

One justly wonders at the goodness of God that He uses all the marvels of grace and service and skill so bountifully for His cause. It is an unbounded joy to see the whole process of making this messenger of missions for the Church, and the prayer goes with the countless hours of service and the many thousand revolutions of mechanism that every one engaged to do this work may be blest in their faithful service. It is a joy that has no earthly compensation equivalent to its privilege—from first to last *it is a joy!*

To every woman in the United Presbyterian Church whatever her part in the making and the circulation of this Magazine, there is the reward of service. To do the best we can is all that is required. Whether in home or foreign lands our obligations are the same.

"O matchless honor all unsought
High privilege surpassing thought
That Thou shouldst call me Lord to be
Linked in fellowship with Thee!
To carry out Thy wondrous plan
To bear thy messages to man!
In trust with Christ's own work of grace
To every soul of human race."

Most sincerely,

MRS. GEORGE MOORE,
Editor Women's Missionary Magazine.

FINANCIAL REPORT
WOMEN'S MISSIONARY MAGAZINE.

1916-1917.

RECEIPTS:

On hand March 31st, 1916	$ 1[illegible]
Rec'd from Magazine Subscriptions	[illegible]
Miscellaneous Receipts	[illegible]
Interest on Bonds, Mrs. J. B. Hill, Treas. W. G. M. Society	[illegible]
Advertising	[illegible]
Total Receipts	$[illegible]

DISBURSEMENTS:

Printing and Mailing Magazine	$ 6100.48
Auditing Books	5.25
Delegate Fund	205.00
Paid Mrs. J. B. Hill, Treasurer, for Hospital, Tanta, Egypt	500.00
Paid Mrs. J. B. Hill, Treasurer, for Women's Bible School, India	800.00
Cuts and Engravings	478.56
Literature	5.00
Current Expenses	324.37
Mission Studies	168.00
Total Disbursements	$ 8595.66
Balance on hand	1978.37
	$10574.03

RESOURCES:

March 31st, 1917, Balance on hand	$1978.37
Accumulated funds in the hands of Finance Committee W. G. M. S. at 6 per cent.	4000.00
	$5978.37

LIABILITIES:

No indebtedness whatever outstanding or unpaid.

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL FLAGG,

Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have carefully and minutely examined the books and vouchers appertaining to the management of the Women's Missionary Magazine Committee for the year ending March 31st, 1917, and find books neatly and carefully kept, and correct in every particular.

Attested:

JOHN H. MCVAY,

Accountant.

April 23rd, 1917.

REPORT OF NEW SUBSCRIPTIONS BY PRESBYTERIALS FROM AUGUST 1, 1916, TO MAY 8, 1917.

Reported at Sterling Convention.

Allegheny	141
Albany	6
Argyle	3
Arkansas Valley	20
Beaver Valley	40
Butler	19
Big Spring	1
Brookville	1
Boston	2
Cedar Rapids	47
College Springs	13
Colorado	17
Concordia	1
Chartiers	3
Cleveland	79
Caledonia	14
Chicago	13
Conemaugh	6
Delaware	3
Des Moines	17
Detroit	17
Hudson	4
Indiana	9
Idaho	1
Illinois Southern	6
Indiana Northern	1
Keokuk	50
Kiskiminetas	5
Los Angeles	23
Muskingum	54
Monongahela	142
Monmouth	4
Mercer	10
New Jersey	3
Ohio First	10
Philadelphia	69
Puget Sound	1
Pittsburg	3
Rock Island	1
Steubenville	30
San Francisco	2
Southern Illinois	3
Sidney	10
Wheeling	17
Westmoreland	25
Wisconsin	4
Xenia	11
Total	[illegible]

REPORT OF

JUNIOR MISSIONARY MAGAZINE.

OUR General Junior Secretary, Mrs. Milliken, has been preparing all year for the 25th Anniversary of the Junior Missionary Society; and this afternoon a Presbyterial will be made happy by receiving the beautiful banner which she promised at our last Convention.

The Presbyterial to which the banner has been awarded had no "pull;" it did not drift into its good fortune; nor was it because it was born under a "lucky star." You will find that its members were ones who worked, and worked hard, to fill the six requirements. Other Presbyterials have worked hard, too, and might have won the banner if all the local societies had done their "bit." These will want to try again, and we believe that the Junior Missionary Magazine will be an assistance to them in their effort to reach the goal. Usually there is a page of hints and instructions written by Mrs. Milliken, in each number of the Magazine; always there are inspiring stories and poems. Mrs. Heslip's "Notes" on the Scriptures lessons are most helpful.

Missionary pictures, life members' photos, "Our Mail Box" with its little letters from the Juniors, encourage others to "go and do likewise." In the the Magazine the contributions of the Juniors are acknowledged (when sent to the editor) and there are other features that seem almost indispensable in a real, live society.

The Magazine is now in its 21st year, and on the first of January, 1918, it will be of age. Could we not have a mailing list of 10,000 to celebrate that event? We would need 3,300 new subscriptions as we now have about 6700. If old subscribers would all renew, and each Junior Society would send in six new subscribers, we would have our 10,000.

Miss Kate Hill has prepared a little paper "Things to Do," and one of the things listed that we can do to help, is to subscribe for the Junior Missionary Magazine. A great many have acted upon this suggestion, and we hope that many more will do so.

Single copies mailed to the subscribers' homes, remain at the old price, 25 cents per copy; but on account of the increased cost of publication, it has been found necessary to charge 15 cents per copy, when sent in clubs of ten or more to one address, instead of 10 cents as formerly. We appreciate very much the fact that but one or two of our correspondents have expressed any disapproval of this action of the Board.

Even at the increased rate the Magazine will not be self-supporting, and the Board will still have a deficit to make up. The Magazine Reserve Fund, to which many of your societies contributed, is one way in which all can help out. This is a fund started by Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson shortly before her death. She planned to raise $1000.00, place it in the bank and use the interest for the purchase of "cuts" for printing the pictures in the Magazine. She died before she had completed this work, and it has moved so slowly since, that there are now in our treasurer's hands for this purpose, but $436.00, less than one-half of the amount Mrs. Stevenson had hoped for.

Since April 15, 1916, $55.00 were received for the Magazine Reserve Fund, $6.00 having been sent to the editor of the Magazine and the remainder direct to Mrs. Hill. As we did not succeed in completing this fund for our 25th Anniversary, shall we not try to do so for the 21st birthday of the Junior Missionary Magazine? You know we always try to celebrate our children's coming of age, by giving them a gift of some value. Will not the mothers get together and surprise their "Wee Magazine?" Until the whole amount is raised, it is in the bank not doing the Magazine any good.

We wish to express our gratitude to God for His favor during the year. We are grateful to our friends for their expressions of appreciation; for contributions of stories, pictures and poems; for the faithful service of Mrs. Heslip, Mrs. Milliken, our publisher and his employees, and in fact, many others who have in various ways assisted in the great work of preparing our Juniors to take their places in the missionary army.

The financial report is as follows:

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Carrie M. Reed, Business Manager, in account with Junior Missionary Magazine.

RECEIPTS:

Balance on hand, April 15, 1916	$ 95.97
Subscriptions	792.61
One for Everyland	.80
Financial Secretary	225.00
General Treasurer	200.00
Literature Secretary	100.00
Received for Cuts	6.45
Received for Magazine Reserve Fund	6.00
Total Receipts	$1426.83
Total Expenditures	1274.77
Balance on hand, April 16, 1917	$ 152.06

DISBURSEMENTS:

Robert Rawsthorne Eng. Co.	$ 29.67
Subscription to Everyland	.80
Superior Engraving Co.	81.61
Magazine Reserve Fund	6.00
Mr. J. C. Park, Printing and Postage	1151.55
Miscellaneous	1.35
Henry Lewis for cut	1.00
Postage	2.79
Total Disbursements	$1274.77

Respectfully submitted,

CARRIE M. REED,

Editor and Business Manager.

May 7, 1917.

REPORT OF

TEMPERANCE SECRETARY.

ANOTHER YEAR of the mighty hand of God upon the nations of the earth has passed in review before us; and what a year it has been!

Wars and rumors of wars, pestilence, famine, broken homes and hearts, anguish of soul, torture of mind and body, fear, terror, loneliness, deportation and separation of loved ones, fearsome death on all sides, men's hearts quabring "for fear for the things that are coming upon the earth," kingdoms and empires shaken to their center, destruction everywhere—on the earth, in the earth, in the waters of the deep, and in the beautiful heavens above. Verily, "He doeth whatsoever He will in the armies of heaven and amongst the inhabitants of the earth." "None can stay His hand or say unto Him, What doest Thou." Truly His judgments are abroad in the earth. But let us also remember:

Thy mercy Lord is in the heavens;
Thy truth doth reach the clouds;
Thy justice is like mountains great;
Thy judgments deep as floods.

God has a judgment seat, but He has also a mercy seat and in the 365 days that we have passed through—terrible as they have been—His mercies have far exceeded His judgments.

How marvelous has been His patience! Long has He waited for the "Prodigal Nations" return for their confession of sin and repentance, and acknowledgment of Him as "King of kings and Lord of lords!" What patience with the world's frivolities, extravagences, mis-appropriation of His blessings, waste of substance on "riotous living, etc."

But His righteous judgments have brought to many, very many, clearer vision of this planet and its inhabitants, of God's place in it, and "The chief end of man." And while passing through great tribulation have had the scales taken from off their eyes and their ears unstopped and they have heard and answered His call to righteousness, have obtained mercy and "grace to help in time of need." And He is with us still graciously removing from our midst the things that make for our eternal destruction.

Yea, what hath God wrought! Let us render to Him praise and thanksgiving for His gracious leading and blessing in all the evangelistic efforts put forth amongst the belligerent nations and for His outstretched arm against that great foe of mankind—the Liquor Traffic.

Are we as a nation ready now "to leave all"—preconceived nations, prejudices, etc.—"and follow Him" to final victory over all manner of evil of which surely none is greater than this. Or shall we still persist in taking of the fair and beautiful grain, 6,000,000 bushels annually, which He has given to sustain life, created by Him and for His own glory, and use it in the service of Satan to destroy that life?

Suppose we do, what would ordinary common sense suggest that God might do? Surely remove the grain.

"God moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform."

We are told by scientists that so thoroughly has the ground around Verdun on the Somme been sterilized by human blood that never again can grain take root there. Never again will intoxicating liquor be made from grain grown one what used to be the fair and fertile slopes of that great fortress.

With what interest Christian Temperance workers have, during the last year, contemplated God's method of dealing with evil.

Prohibition. Yes, total Prohibition, tearing up of evil "root and branch" is the law of His Kingdom. Or shall we continue to disobey His law or shall we humble ourselves before Him—and beware?

The W. G. M. S. is reporting a year's work—to whom? Rendering an account of a year's stewardship—to whom? These are solemn days. Perhaps for some their last yearly report. We have had a wonderfully active year, and our temperance work has been not a whit behind any other department of our Christian service—but considering the following figures, given by Dr. W. E. Biederwolf, we pay little attention to the Apostolic injunction. "Whether ye eat or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God," also "Know ye not that your bodies are temples of the Holy Ghost?"

FIGURES.

Think of building up a temple of the Holy Ghost with chewing gum, candy, soft drinks, tobacco, intoxicating liquor, etc.! And think of adorning a temple of the Holy Ghost with up-to-date millinery, jewelry, and dressmaking and

take of amusement in theatrical performances and bridge, whist "for the glory of God."

Of course these are national, not W. G. M. S. figures, but the W. G. M. S. as part of the nation has its part in this expenditure.

Fifty-two reports were received this year as against forty-nine last year, showing the same number of Presbyterial Temperance Secretaries as last year, viz., 66; local secretaries this year, 466; last year, 343; temperance meetings held this year, 356; last year, 267.

Every Presbyterial but two, reports "goodly supply of literature and well received." One (Steubenville) reports "Not enough."

Twenty-seven received supplies exclusively from General Temperance Secretary, remainder from W. G. M. S., W. C. T. U. and Anti-Saloon League. Many commend our own literature in such words as "Better than ever," "Splendid," "Can't be beat," "Where do you get so many fine stories?," "Last sent out with songs best yet."

To the question, "Is there a growing interest in the work?"

Albany and Allegheny answer, "In most societies."

Argyle, "In about one-third of the societies."

Beaver Valley, Boston, Brookville, Chicago, Kansas City, Kiskiminetas, Los Angeles, Mansfield, Mercer, Monmouth, Philadelphia, Steubenville, Texas, Tennessee, Wheeling, say, "Yes."

Big Springs, "Not marked."

Butler, "Undoubtedly."

Cedar Rapids, "We think there is."

Conemaugh and Detroit give the same answer.

College Springs, Concordia, Illinois Central, Idaho, Muskingum, "Yes and No."

Delaware, "Not what should be."

Garnett, "Has not been pushed."

Lake, "Marked interest."

Monongahela, "Better than last year."

Oklahoma, "We all like the work."

Oregon, "We fear not."

Westmoreland, "Decidedly so."

To what do you attribute interest or lack of interest? The answers are very interesting indeed.

Albany says, "The ladies do not take much interest, not being personally affected."

Argyle, "Personal effort, temperance department in Sabbath School and Y. P. C. U."

Allegheny, "Education along temperance lines, lessons from the war, etc."

Beaver Valley, "Growing temperance sentiment."

Big Springs, "Help from W. C. T. U. and other temperance organizations."

Boston, "The forward trend and activity of temperance organizations, lessons from warring nations, attitudes of the press, passage of temperance laws, great evangelistic campaigns, the allies that have come to our help, viz., the medical fraternity, business world, the 'safety first' advocates, anti-canteen laws, etc."

Butler, "Activity of Christians asleep for many years on this subject."

Chicago, "Increased agitation through good literature."

Chartiers, "Education, influence of church leaders, the press and victories."

Concordia, "Special programs in Sabbath Schools and Y. P. C. U."

Conemaugh, "Getting to understand work better and co-operation of pastors."

Delaware, "Fault lies with the temperance secretaries."

Detroit, "State of Michigan gone dry."

First Ohio, "Splendid results of pro-

hibition in Germany, France, Russia, England, etc."

Illinois Central, "Greater interest in the moral welfare of our boys and girls, in colleges and universities."

Indiana, "Women's zealous work."

Kansas, "Bone Dry law and women's votes."

Kiskiminetas, "God rules in the hearts of His children and people's eyes are being opened."

Lake, "Local and county issues, help of anti-saloon and W. G. M. S. literature."

Los Angeles, "Prayer, work, persistent agitation, convincing figures, etc."

Mansfield, "Determination to abolish the traffic."

Mercer, "Realization of the evil of the traffic."

Monongahela, "Constant agitation."

Monmouth, "Agitation, education, temperance articles in Magazine, the work done by General and local temperance secretaries, meetings, etc."

Muskingum, "Carelessness and neglect in reading our Magazine; war has created interest."

Oregon, "Time and contributions of the women gone to other channels, especially temperance organizations."

Oklahoma, "Help from W. C. T. U., etc."

Philadelphia, "Trend of the times, people waking out of sleep, earnest temperance preaching, interesting programs, the war, facts from dry states, etc."

Rock Island, "Indifference is the only reason given."

Tennessee, "Persistent effort and personal work."

Texas, "State-wide agitation for prohibition."

Westmoreland, "More reading of literature and popularity of the 'water wagon.'"

Wheeling, "Temperance literature, agitation the marked change where liquor is abolished and the prayers of God's people, especially mothers."

To the question, "Give your opinion of the Year Book; was it worth while? Those who received a copy commend it very highly. "Hope it will be continued ever year," "It is splendid," "It is very fine," etc. Some complain that they did not get a copy. (Did they make application, sending six cents in stamps for cost of mailing?)

Very encouraging are the letters and informal reports received from our mission stations and schools, at home and abroad. Excerpts from these will probably appear in the Magazine from time to time.

Money reported this year is as follows:

Albany	$ 1.00
Argyle	1.00
Allegheny	69.00
Beaver Valley	47.00
Brookville	6.00
Boston	2.00
Butler	30.00
Cedar Rapids	6.00
Chartiers	39.00
Chicago	23.00
Cleveland	22.50
Delaware	10.00
Conemaugh	5.00
Concordia	1.00
Detroit	5.00
First Ohio	10.00
Garnett	4.50
Illinois Central	35.00
Illinois Southern	2.00
Idaho	6.00
Indiana	3.00
Kansas City	2.00
Kiskiminetas	22.00
Lake	4.00
Los Angeles	17.00
Mercer	6.25
Monongahela	166.00
Monmouth	27.00

Muskingum	12.00
Oregon	3.00
Oklahoma	1.00
Philadelphia	20.00
Rock Island	10.00
Sidney	2.00
Steubenville	19.50
Tennessee	10.00
Texas	2.00
Westmoreland	4.00
Xenia	14.00

Pledge signing was our "Special Feature" this year and we are happy to give by Presbyterials the number of cards signed and duplicates at headquarters:

Albany, 13; Argyle, 30; Allegheny, 499; Arkansas Valley, 114; Beaver Valley, 118; Big Springs, 43; Boston, 124; Brookville, 26; Butler, 390; Caledonia, 162; Cedar Rapids, 244; Chartiers, 316; Chicago, 69; Cleveland, 153; College Springs, 98; Colorado, 85; Concordia, 38; Conemaugh, 62; Delaware, 20; Detroit, 38; Garnett, 129; Hudson, 37; Illinois Central, 20; Illinois Southern, 189; Kansas, 62; Keokuk, 103; Kiskiminetas, 89; Lake, 310; Los Angeles, 124; Monmouth, 396; Mansfield, 35; Mercer, 46; Monongahela, 612; Muskingum, 452; Oklahoma, 12; First Ohio, 124; Pawnee, 53; Philadelphia, 171; Pittsburgh, 25; Rock Island, 47; San Francisco, 2; Sidney, 21; Spokane, 1; Steubenville, 71; Tennessee, 65 (not including mission stations); Westmoreland, 107; Wheeling, 27; Wisconsin, 8; Wooster, 1; Xenia, 129.

Months ago cards were sent to all our home mission stations and they have responded as follows: Croatian Mission, Allegheny, 10; Miller's Ferry, 18; Prairie, Alabama, 36; Townsville, 56; Henderson, 45; Frenchburg, 147; and to our foreign fields as well. No report has been received from India at this writing, but we know our workers there and a satisfactory explanation will surely come. From Egypt, through Miss Ella Barnes and Miss Anna Y. Thompson, we are pleased to report the receipt of 402 signed duplicates, 107 of these from the Ezbekiah School and over 100 from Faggala are signed in Arabic, making a grand total of 6,738.

The work in Westmoreland was interrupted in January by the death of our good faithful Presbyterial Temperance Secretary, Mrs. Malone, and greatly hindered in Philadelphia by the long serious illness of our indefatigable temperance worker, Mrs. Hattie Petrie.

1026 packages of literature and 1000 calendars were sent out, while over 400 letters and postal cards directing the work were written.

What shall be our aim for the coming year? May we ask this Convention to decide?

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Credit balance April 15, 1916		$509.42
RECEIPTS:		
By Presbyterials	$936.50	
By Sale of Buttons, Literature, stamps for mailing calendars	28.06	
By individuals, S. S. Classes and Societies	26.50	
Total		$991.06
Disbursed for Literature, Calendars, mailing, etc.	706.46	
Credit balance April 15, 1917		$794.02

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. C. MORTON.

REPORT OF

PARSONAGE SECRETARY.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1917.

WE HONOR the home missionaries of today and pay tribute of appreciation to those of pioneer days for the ofttime heroic sacrifices they have made, for the hardships endured and the burdens so bravely and cheerfully carried. Not many of us perhaps have any idea of what it means for a minister to go into a strange community and not be able to find a house suitable for making comfortable his wife and children, but such has been the case with scores of home mission pastors. The work in many stations of our home field has been seriously crippled by failure to provide parsonages and in some cases has been given up entirely for that reason.

It is the province of the Parsonage Department of the Women's General Missionary Society to work hand in hand with the Home and Foreign Board of the denomination and planting and strengthening new organizations.

The parsonage gives permanency to the work—a much needed factor in the western fields, and permits the missionary to set up a home that identifies him with the community. He can get hold of the young people: get his hands on the children: touch the home life of the people through a home in their midst. The parsonage is a center from which the church can accomplish the conquest of much of the community life. To the congregation, too, it brings assurance that in from ten to twelve years it will own its own property by paying in quarterly payments less than it would pay in rent for a much less comfortable house.

What home is to the family, the church and parsonage are to the congregation. So to the community, to the congregation, to the pastor's family and to the church at large these buildings come with their blessings. All over the Home Mission field thankful hearts are sending up the prayer, God prosper and bless the parsonage work of the Women's General Missionary Society.

The fund in this department is like all others of our work in that is a missionary fund, but it differs in an important feature. It is not given in absolute grants but is disbursed in loans at two per cent. interest. These loans are returned in monthly or quarterly payments and used again and again for the carrying on of this helpful work.

Judging by comparison of the number of congregations which were unable to make the regular payments as promised on their loans this past year and the previous ones, times have been much more prosperous even with war prices and the higher cost of living of which we hear and experience so much. Very few congregations have failed to meet their obligations and some have even made payments in advance of the time due.

Perhaps it was on account of the high price of building material and labor that there have been fewer applications for aid than usual and while almost all requests for loans were granted, only seven new loans were made.

An unusually large number of accounts were closed this year as seven congregations made final payments of their obligations to us. The congregation of

Altus, Okla., was disorganized several years ago but the parsonage was rented at a fair return on the money we had put into it. We were fortunate enough to sell it this year to the Presbyterian Church as a parsonage and were able to cover our loan and leave a small balance for the Board of Church Extension, which had a claim on the lot.

Tulsa, Okla., is on both the credit and debit side of our accounts. This congregation has been unfortunate in the past few years in securing permanent pastoral settlement and during vacancies in the pastorate it was necessary to rent the parsonage to keep up the payments due on it and even then it was more than the small membership could manage. Hence as an opportunity presented for selling it for sufficient money to cover our loan and leave a nice little balance in the congregation's hands, it was decided to sell it. During the summer a new pastor was secured to take up the work but there was absolutely no house to be rented within a mile of the church and nothing at all to be found satisfactory. The congregation decided to use their balance from the sale of the old parsonage and applied to us for a smaller loan, to build a parsonage on the back of the church lot so as not to be called upon to pay additional paving taxes, and still give their pastor a comfortable home at small expense. A loan of $1800 was granted for a ten-year term and was much appreciated by pastor and people. An active member of Presbytery said, "You saved our work at Tulsa."

The other congregations rejoicing over a closed parsonage account this year are: Oakland, Cal.; Fort Morgan, Colo.; Olathe, Kans.; First, Indianapolis, Ind.; and West Middlesex, Pa.

New loans were made to Chicota, Texas; Boulevard, Philadelphia, Pa.; Ontario, Ore.; Tulsa, Okla.; Fourth, Akron, Ohio; Sandy Lake, Pa.; and Military Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Through this department in years gone by, the Board has been enabled to make one hundred and seventy-one grants, aggregating the sum of $337,545. Thus many congregations have felt the touch of woman's effort in this field and a parsonage in each place stands as a monument to her endeavor. Eighty-four of these loans have been returned, leaving eighty-seven congregations still under obligation to the Women's General Missionary Society.

We began the year with a balance of $12,154.81. Presbyterials added to this $1638. $1000 was received from the Thank-Offering and $21,132.39 from repayment of loans, making total receipts, $35925.20.

The disbursements were $12950, leaving a balance of $22975.20.

Four loans have been promised and other applications are under consideration, hence this seemingly large balance will be needed in the near future.

We ask from societies a larger interest in their gifts and prayers for the efficient and wise administration of this department so essential to the development of the Home Mission work of our beloved Church.

Loans outstanding and payments received during the year are as follows:

STATEMENT OF PARSONAGE LOANS—YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1917.

Loans Outstanding and Payments Received During the Year are as Follows:

	Outstanding April 15, 1916	Amount Paid During Year	Outstanding April 15, 1917
First, Oakland, California	51.90	51.90	
Fort Morgan, Colorado	80.00	80.00	
Second, Tacoma, Washington	792.34	91.10	701.24
First, Tacoma, Washington	2,115.73	200.00	1,915.73
Eighth, Chicago, Illinois	1,336.71	380.00	956.71
Long Beach, California	624.22	277.52	346.70
Boynton, Oklahoma	430.00	74.05	355.95
Hutchinson, Kansas	235.70	188.72	46.98
First, Schenectady, N. Y.	1,498.42	50.00	1,448.42
Olathe, Kansas	188.70	188.70	
Chester, West Virginia	873.94	473.94	400.00
Stuttgart, Arkansas	536.60		536.60
Bellingham, Washington	1,702.95		1,702.95
North, Allegheny, Pa.	388.50	77.70	310.80
Everett, Washington	228.00		228.00
Third, Des Moines, Iowa	366.49		366.49
Du Bois, Pennsylvania	475.80	346.20	129.60
Burlington, Iowa	904.80	560.38	344.42
Elmwood, Des Moines, Iowa	423.12		423.12
Lincoln, Nebraska	1,195.36	300.00	895.36
Woodruff Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.	444.00	141.00	303.00
Winchester, Kansas	222.00	111.00	111.00
Arkansas City, Kansas	248.77	166.68	82.09
Forrington, Wyoming	707.97	332.88	375.09
Third, Spokane, Washington	1,133.75	63.85	1,069.90
Rock Island, Illinois	816.80	195.00	621.80
Conway, Pa.	715.75	333.00	382.75
Central Falls, Rhode Island	832.36	346.90	485.46
Altus, Oklahoma	891.09	858.09	33.00
Tulsa, Oklahoma	2,310.50	2,218.51	91.99
Roosevelt, Oklahoma	183.15	99.90	83.25
Waterloo, Iowa	1,331.67	100.00	1,231.67
Morgan Hill, California	333.00	111.00	222.00
Emporia, Kansas	971.17	208.13	763.04
Farrell, Pa.	1,046.04	241.44	804.60
Allison Park, Pa.	915.66	291.31	624.35
Second, Spokane, Washington	2,413.59	125.00	2,288.59
Corsicana, Texas	754.68	141.54	613.14
Benton Lawn, Kansas City, Kansas	1,735.25	130.25	1,605.00
Harvard Heights, Los Angeles, Cal.	624.22	277.52	346.70
Montrose Ave., Chicago, Ill.	2,242.78	260.00	1,982.78
Forest Ave., Bellevue, Pa.	1,427.50	333.00	1,094.50
Guthrie, Oklahoma	1,054.50	111.00	943.50
Spirit Lake, Idaho	1,253.96	274.00	979.96

	Outstanding April 15, 1916	Amount Paid During Year	Outstanding April 15, 1917
East Mansfield, Ohio	670.00	138.77	531.23
Bristol, Colorado	843.60	177.60	666.00
Nampa, Idaho	1,332.00	222.00	1,110.00
Third, Seattle, Washington	2,118.68	176.58	1,942.10
West Middlesex, Pa.	226.00	226.00	
East Side, Gary, Indiana	1,485.35	180.00	1,305.35
Manhattan, Kansas	1,054.40	210.92	843.48
Whittier, California	185.44		185.44
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	2,048.03	223.00	1,825.03
Boise City, Idaho	1,634.62	111.00	1,523.62
First, Indianapolis, Indiana	207.95	207.95	
Brookings, South Dakota	957.30	166.50	790.80
Zenith, Kansas	820.50	90.00	730.50
Trenton, Ohio	1,526.16	277.52	1,248.64
Prosser, Washington	1,243.20	177.60	1,065.60
Parma, Idaho	1,456.80	116.56	1,340.24
McClelland Heights, Davenport, Iowa	599.32	99.92	499.40
Omdurman, Sudan	2,331.00	388.50	1,942.50
Fairhill, Philadelphia, Pa.	2,643.00	551.75	2,091.25
San Antonio, Texas	2,163.38	333.32	1,830.06
South Omaha, Nebraska	1,501.00	166.50	1,334.50
Rochester, Pa.	2,253.30	310.80	1,942.50
Ewart, Iowa	563.25	77.72	485.53
Third, Portland, Oregon	2,012.80	105.94	1,906.86
Albia, Iowa	2,150.58	208.14	1,942.44
Middletown, Ohio	2,910.42	75.00	2,835.42
Ingleside, San Francisco, Cal.	1,161.27	112.41	1,048.86
Canton, Ohio	2,219.96	277.52	1,942.44
Burlington, Washington	1,603.92	47.18	1,556.74
Barstow Colony, California	1,581.74	166.52	1,415.22
Assiut, Egypt	14,119.47	1,661.12	12,458.35
West Side, Monmouth, Illinois	2,747.25	333.00	2,414.25
Creston, Iowa	1,998.00	221.50	1,776.50
Kenton, Portland, Oregon	2,053.50	166.50	1,887.00
Meridian, Pennsylvania	2,274.90	205.00	2,069.90
Donora, Pa.	1,518.12	23.00	1,495.12
Economy-Ambridge, Pa.	3,259.87	70.63	3,189.24
Riverside, California	2,109.00	222.00	1,887.00
Woodlawn, Pa.	3,761.92	320.16	3,441.76
Chariton, Iowa	865.80	88.80	777.00
Monroe Memorial, Akron, Ohio	1,899.90	199.80	1,700.10
Oneonta, N. Y.	1,054.50	111.00	943.50
First, Cincinnati, Ohio	3,552.00	270.00	3,282.00
	$123,778.64	$20,326.94	$103,451.70
Credit allowed on loans for advanced payment:			
Tulsa, Oklahoma $91.99			
Altus, Oklahoma 33.00	124.99		124.99
TOTALS	$123,653.65	$20,326.94	$103,326.71

NEW LOANS DURING THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1917.

	Amount of Loans and Interest	Amount Repaid	Loans Outstanding. April 15, 1917
Chicota, Texas	$ 795.00		$ 795.00
Tulsa, Oklahoma	1,999.80	99.90	1,899.90
Boulevard, Philadelphia, Pa.	3,954.98	164.80	3,790.18
Ontario, Oregon	2,825.08	176.58	2,648.50
Sandy Lake, Pa.	530.00		530.00
Fourth, Akron, Ohio (first payment)	500.00		500.00
Military Ave., Detroit, Michigan	3,841.96		3,841.96
Total New Loans	$ 14,446.82	$ 441.28	$ 14,005.54
Total Loans in Force During the Last Fiscal Year	$138,100.47		
Total Received During the Year on Account of Loans		$20,768.22	
Total Outstanding Loans April 15, 1917			$117,332.25
Received Additional Cash as Follows:			
Rent, Luxor Missionary Residence		$ 360.00	
Interest Rock Valley Note		93.60	
Interest Bellingham, Wash., Account		4.17	
Interest Daily Balances		30.30	
Total Cash Receipts		$21,256.29	

MRS. J. D. SANDS, Parsonage Secretary.

I have examined the accounts of Mrs. J. D. Sands, Parsonage Secretary, for the year ending April 15, 1917, and find them correct. The foregoing statement shows correctly the condition of loans at the close of the year and changes occuring during the year.

April 28, 1917.

A. F. SAWHILL, Auditor.

REPORT OF

JUNIOR SECRETARY.

WE HAVE come to celebrate our 25th birthday, our Silver Anniversary of the Junior Department of the Women's General Missionary Society, and to bring to you today our 25th report.

The visible results of the work of these 25 years will be told by the Juniors themselves, so that you will have a complete review of the things accomplished and the wonderful growth of the work since it came under your care in 1892. It will be as accurate a history as can be gleaned from the reports of the General Secretary and Treasurer combined.

Many things, however, enter into this department which can not be shown so dramatically or positively; the finer influences for good, for the uplift of the mind and heart of the child, invisible to our eyes but bearing fruit of a nature not so readily tabulated.

This is the time of action, when results of years of preparation are forcing our thoughts to deeds demanding every energy. We must prepare the children

of our church for the task awaiting them, to do their "bit," to be ready to take the lead in active Christian and missionary endeavors.

Preparation (proper training) of the children of our church is a fundamental means for promoting its powers and its permanent progress.

Our motto for this year is, "Be ye doers of the word, not hearers only." We can not doubt that the Juniors have been attentive hearers, as well as doers, for 1025 of them have joined the church during this year. The sight of these bright, earnest little faces in the Junior Society listening to the words of the Bible or missionary story, or telling one themselves, is one of the pleasant experiences which come to the Junior worker. Right here let me emphasize the need of Junior leaders; our greatest lack, for in the vast majority of cases where there is no Junior society in a church, the reason is—the lack of a leader.

To those who hesitate to engage in Junior work I would say I believe the tendency is to overestimate the amount of native ability, and qualifications in the way of special knowledge in missionary matters, necessary on the part of the individual to make a proper start as a Junior leader, when as a matter of fact all that is needed for the woman of average intelligence is the consecrated determination to enter upon the work, using such printed helps as have been provided for the purpose and consulting with the Secretary in the beginning and from time to time, on any features which may not be thoroughly understood or questions which may arise. It is really astonishing to hear, as I have heard, the number of personal testimonials of those who have undertaken the work of Junior leadership with many misgivings and even "in fear and trembling" who have found to their joy that they are more capable than they had imagined and are gradually becoming more and more efficient in handling the work.

Many compensations come to those who undertake this branch of the work, not only as regards the deeply seated feeling and conviction that they are helping with the Master's work, but in the joy of realizing that they are the privileged means of implanting in these young hearts the seeds of good which will bear fruit long after the planters shall have ceased from their earthly labors; the blessed results of which will continue both here and hereafter. On a somewhat lower plane, though of great importance, it is also true that it is a real pleasure to teach the little ones and that in the very act of teaching we ourselves not only become thoroughly acquainted with our missionary work in all its phases but acquire a degree of assurance which stands us in good stead in other lines of activity, both religious and secular, and renders us, generally speaking, bigger, better and more efficient than we were formally.

In listening to the Juniors, who will tell the story of our twenty-five years' progress, please keep this thought in mind, that while things tangible seem to be emphasized most, it is only because they are adapted to a more realistic presentation.

Every Presbyterial has reported and it is from the 63 Presbyterials in America we glean the following facts:

This year we report progress in that only 24 organized societies in eleven Presbyteries have failed to report, against 47 in 1916.

35 societies do not report the use of the Junior Missionary Magazine, the

most helpful "tool" we have. No society can do the most efficient work without it.

Last year we reported four Presbyteries and 28 additional societies had failed to give a Thank-Offering. This year we make a decided forward step in this regard in that every Presbyterial gave a Thank-Offering and only 17 societies reporting have apparently missed this blessed privilege.

Our Thank-Offering Secretary in one of her talks gives as the aim of the Thank-Offering Department of our W. G. M. S. "to continually stir up the hearts of God's people to speak the praises of God, and to proclaim to the world His loving kindness through their gifts."

This is a very necessary thought to instill into the minds of the growing girls and boys.

As one means of proclaiming to the world our belief in God's loving kindness by our gifts, a definite goal was set for Junior Life Members, 10 for each of our 25 years or 250 for this year, at $10.00 each.

All Life Membership money, Senior and Junior, for the past year has gone into Tanta Hospital, Egypt, but we were not satisfied to have our Anniversary Life Membership money go into a general fund, so our dear Foreign Secretary suggested to the Board that we be allowed to count all our Anniversary Life Membership money for an X-Ray machine in Tanta Hospital, and the Board, contrary to precedent, consented.

We now have 253 Junior Life Members for this year, or $2530.00.

The X-Ray machine will probably cost $3,000.00 and while no action to that effect has been taken by the Board, I feel sure that all Junior Life Memberships coming in by June (at which time the re-organization of the Board takes place, Thank-Offering is distributed and new object for 1917 Thank-Offering Life Memberships decided upon) will be allowed to count on the X-Ray machine so we can point to it as our 25th Anniversary gift. Only 164 of these 253 Life Memberships are counted in with this year's Thank-Offering, as the rest have been given since January first and will be counted in the 1918 report.

The total number of Junior Life Members to date is 1319. This means $13,190.00

JUNIOR SPECIAL.

India is no exception to the general condition of the world in regard to high prices and increased cost of living. All estimates in the 1917-18 budget are necessarily higher than ever before.

The Women's Board has had to face the situation that they can not take on the additional expense of the support of twenty-five Bible women, whose salaries the Juniors have paid this past year, notwithstanding the fact that their work and influence is so very important in reaching the shut-in women and children in India. It was very apparent that this newly extended work of one year would have to be abandoned unless the Juniors would undertake it for the second year and in view of the splendid response of the Juniors this past year, we are asked to again pay the salaries of twenty-five Bible women, at an average cost of $100.00 a year each or $2500. This year we have paid into the Junior Special the largest amount we have ever given in one year, and $458 more than we were asked for. Could we not make our goal for next year $3000.? Why not?

This year we have had the pleasure of knowing that twenty-five women have been going in and out of the homes of

India, carrying the Light, Life and Love of Christ into those dark lives that have not yet heard the "good news," that this has been made possible because we have sent them in our place to obey the command of Christ, "Go ye into all the world." Let us work and pray that we may be able to send more workers out to tell of the wonderful love of Christ for all people.

The Dime Cards will be the same as last year and will be ready early in June, so they can be distributed before the summer vacations.

Send all orders for the Dime Cards with postage, (at the rate of three cents per dozen) to Miss R. Elizabeth Milligan, Literature Secretary, 904 Publication Building, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The total statistics and contributions for the year are as follows:

Number of new societies	55
Number of re-organized societies	12
	67
Number of disbanded societies	7
Net gain of societies	60
Number of societies in 1916	494
Number of societies in 1917	554
Number of members in 1916	13859
Number of members in 1917	14987
Net gain of members, 1917	1128
Number of Juniors 13 years of age or over	1521
Number of new Junior Life Members	164
Number of Honorary Members	887
Number Graduated into Y. P. C. U.	774
Number Graduated into Y. W. M. S.	130
Number Uniting with Church	1025
Number Junior Missionary Magazines	5888
Number of Boxes and Packages	256
Estimated value of same	$699.00

Contributions.

Foreign Missions	$ 707.00
Foreign Salaries	267.00
Home Missions	793.00
Indian Work	156.00
Freedmen's Missions	247.00
Parsonage Department	62.00
Ministerial Relief	29.00
Junior Special	2958.00
Presbyterial Expense Fund	121.00
Temperance	48.00
Congregational Work	236.00
District Work	176.00
Orphans' Home	91.00
Columbia Hospital	25.00
Aged Peoples' Home	5.00
Isaiah 41:6 Fund	2.00
Little Light Bearers	252.00
Junior Magazine Reserve	46.00
Total	$ 6221.00
Thank-Offering	6435.02
Grand Total	$12656.02
Total Contributions, 1916	$10929.08
Total Contributions, 1917	12656.02
Net increase in offerings	$ 1726.94

You will please notice that again the Juniors have contributed to every Department of Work under the care of the W. G. M. S.

Twenty Societies are on the Honor Roll, having contributed over one hundred dollars, one of these gave over $300.00, four over $200.00, while two more deserve special mention for contributing between $90.00 and $100.00.

The 8th Church, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa., heads the list with $306.47; then come Ingram, Pa., $262.00; 1st Church, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa., $245.00; Young Helpers, Salem, N. Y., $220.00; St. Clair, Pittsburgh, Pa., $202.57.

6.	Robinson Run, McDonald, Pa.	$181.00
7.	6th Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.	174.50
8.	Aspinwall, Pa.	174.00
9.	1st Church, Mercer, Pa.	169.00
10.	3rd Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.	165.00
11.	Homewood, Pittsburgh, Pa.	158.00
12.	Shadyside, Pittsburgh, Pa.	155.00
13.	2nd Church, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.	148.00
14.	1st Church, Xenia, Ohio	138.00
15.	1st Ch., New Concord, Ohio	120.00
16.	Emsworth, Pa.	112.52
17.	1st Ch., Cambridge, Ohio	104.00
18.	Grove City, Pa.	104.00
19.	Avalon, Pa.	102.00
20.	1st, Wilkinsburg, Pa.	101.00

Special Mention.

1.	11th Ch., N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.	$ 99.00
2.	Swissvale, Pa.	92.50

Egypt.

Three Presbyterials in Egypt have reported, giving a total number of Societies, 13; Members, 1342; Contributions, $726.00.

Grand Total Junior and Little Light Bearer Societies 567
Grand Total Junior and Little Light Bearer Members 16329
Grand Total Contributions $13382.02

EXERCISE BY STERLING JUNIORS.

Enter Junior representing Junior Missionary Societies, carrying large pink tissue paper birthday cake with 25 pink candles, recites:

Dear friends, one and all, with a greeting most hearty,
I give you glad welcome to my Birthday Party.
Your faces, so happy, I've wished much to see,
For Friendship's been long now between you and me.
The cake is all ready, the pink candles glow,
If counted aright, my long years they will show.
I can't understand with my twenty-five years,
Why my heart like the heart of a child still appears.
For some of the friends of the days long ago,
Hove grown to be women and men whom all know.
How happy my mission! To build for the King;
The lives of the children my service I bring,
Content if perchance by some picture or line
A child may be won for the service Divine.
The years pass so swiftly—the silver mark told,
I soon shall be wearing the pink and the gold.
And though fifty candles may shine bright and gay,
My heart, still the heart of a child in that day,
Shall shine still more bright if the years tribute bring
Of children who've builded their lives for the King.

I am the Junior Missionary Society. I belong to you because, in 1892, Mrs. E. M. Hill thought all the children ought to work together under one head, as a part of the Women's General Missionary Society, and at your Convention in Philadelphia you adopted me as your "child." (Moves over to end of platform and says in a musing voice), I wonder if I can recall some of the things which have happened during these 25 years, come, memory, tell me of my first year 1893. (Sits in chair provided for her). As each year responds to her call, the Junior comes on the platform carrying silver bell, with one letter on each, spelling the words *Junior Silver Anniversary.*

1893. Bell—J.

During this year (October, 1892) the first General Junior Secretary was elected, Mrs. Jennie Hastings Gillespie. Mrs. Gillespie at once sent out letters to every Women's Missionary Society asking them to organize the children into Junior Missionary Societies, to help the missionary work. At this time we know of only 31 bands for children with 739 members.

1894. Bell—U.

The women took up the idea and organized societies so this year we have 155 societies with 3463 members. We have contributed to the missionary work $2770.00.

1895. Bell—N.

During this year 30 Presbyterials elected Secretaries of Junior Work. Several Presbyterial Junior Rallies were held. The work gave promise of great success, when we were suddenly called to a halt by the unexpected death of Mrs. Gillespie on January 14th.

In February our new General Secretary was elected, Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson.

1896. Bell—I.

Mrs. Stevenson sent out the first blanks for reports of our societies which gave statistics from 36 Presbyterials, showing

a gain of 33 societies and almost 1000 members.

As a fitting tribute to Mrs. Gillespie the first Junior Special was established, that of the erection of a school building at Prairie, Alabama, to be known as "The Jennie Hastings Gillespie Memorial," which cost $1200.00.

1897. Bell—O.

Five years have rolled by with steady growth of societies and members. The General Assembly at their meeting last May took the following action: "We most heartily commend the Junior Missionary Work to the favorable consideration of the Church, and recommend the co-operation of all officers of the local societies with the General Secretary in the extension of the work."

The Junior Special was the endowment of a child's bed in Jhelum Hospital, India, for which we gave $1000.00.

1898. Bell—R.

During this year there were 42 new societies with a net gain of 500 members. We gave $1200.00 for our own Special Work to buy 100 acres of land at Prairie, Alabama.

Our great forward step this year was that the first record of the Junior Thank-Offering was kept separate from the Women's Thank-Offering was reported. The amount so reported was $446.52.

1899. (Holds up first copy of Magazine).

It is a matter of great rejoicing that we report to you the publication of our Junior Missionary Magazine. The first number was sent forth in January with Mrs. E. M. Hill (always our dear friend) as Editor and Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson as Business Manager. In four months the subscriptions have reached 5116.

This year we gave $600.00 as Junior Special for a Parsonage; $774.00 for Thank-Offering and total contributions of $4369.00.

1900. Bell—S.

After one year the usefulness of the Junior Missionary Magazine had been proved beyond a doubt, to be an important factor in the life and work of our Junior Missionary Societies. It should be in every home.

For the Special Work we gave $1000 for the Endowment of a Child's Bed in Tanta Hospital, Egypt.

1901. Bell—I.

We worked hard this year both to build up our forces and to make many girls happy, for we supported 40 girls in the Girls' Boarding School, Sialkot, India, for which we gave $1600.00.

1902. Bell—L.

We also have enjoyed a year of hard work for we have helped educate 60 girls in the Girls' Boarding School, Sialkot, India. The Women's Board asked us for $1500.00 but we have given $2090.00 for this purpose.

We are now ten years old. We have increased from 31 to 200 societies, from 739 to 6757 members, and have given total contributions of $44218.00.

1903. Bell—V.

The girls of Egypt as just as much to us as the girls of India, so we have supported 60 of them at the Girls' Boarding School, at Luxor, Egypt. We can not measure in dollars the influences of education and of the daily example of our Christian Missionaries lives on these girls, but we trust the seed sown will bear a rich harvest.

1904. Bell—E.

For the second year we have given 60 girls of Egypt a chance for education at our Girls' Boarding School at Luxor and have raised for this, our Special Work, during these two years $4390.00. We

have also given a Thank-Offering of $2501.00.

1905. Bell—R.

This year marks another mile one in our progress, for in July, 1904, nald Russell, son of Rev. and Mrs . M. Russell, of Pittsburgh became the first Life Member of the Junior Missionary Society, by a gift of ten dollars. He was followed in December by the second Life Member, Flora Anna Morgan, of Kirkwood, Illinois. This means that ten dollars is to be given at one time to make a child a Life Member of the Junior Missionary Society and that in this way they help some definite object in far off India or Egypt.

Our Special Work was for a Parsonage at Tulsa, Okla., for which we gave $2043.00.

September, 1904, brought another change to us, in that our dear Editor of the Magazine, Mrs. Hill, had to give up the work on account of ill health and in October, Miss Margaret McLaughry became the Editor.

1906. Bell—.

We Juniors always enjoy hearing about the North American Indians, so this year we are especially interested in them, for we have worked for money to build a school for the Musquakie tribe at Tama, Iowa. My brother will tell you more about it.

1907. Bell—A.

Fifteen years of Junior Work under the care of the W. G. M. S. Just think of it! How busy we have been, for we have built a school building, two parsonages, supported girls in schools in India and Egypt, endowed beds in hospitals in India and Egypt, and now we have built a school for Indians at Tama, Iowa. Some of us grew flowers and vegetables to earn the money, while many of us ran errands to earn it, until our pennies, put together have amounted to $3834.00 in two years. We are glad to help the Indians to get an education and hope they will learn to know and love Jesus.

Last September there was another change in the Editorial part of our Magazine as Miss McLaughry had to give up the work and Mrs. John A. Wilson was elected by the Women's Board to take her place.

1908. Bell—N.

This year we cross the ocean and take up our Special Work in the newest field of our Church, the Egyptian Sudan, Africa.

For the next two years the Juniors are asked to furnish 450,000 bricks for a Girls' Boarding School at Khartoum North. We know we can do it for our work has grown in interest and in members until we have over 10,000.

1909. Bell—N.

Two years ago the Women's Board asked us to give, in two years, $3000.00 for the bricks to build the G. B. S. at Khartoum North, Sudan. We are glad to report that we have been blessed in our giving for we have raised $4235.00 for this purpose, $1235.00 more than was asked for.

With our regular offerings, O. S. W., and Thank-Offering we average about ninety cents per member.

1910. Bell—I.

From Africa we sail over to India for our Special Work for the next two years, that of raising $2500.00 for the Elizabeth Gordon Home, Sialkot, India. This is to be a resting place, a home for doctors, nurses, and missionaries and has been named for dear "Auntie Gordon," the first unmarried woman missionary sent out by our Church.

1911. Bell—V.

We are glad we can tell you that the Elizabeth Gordon Home, Sialkot, India,

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is built and is much enjoyed by our workers in India, because we were faithful to the task given us and raised $5272.00 for the Home.

1912. Bell—E.

We have now reached our twentieth birthday; twenty busy years for the Juniors; busy helping others, working out the main thought in the object of our constitution "through prayer, study, work and gifts to do our part toward sending the gospel story to the ends of the earth."

The Special Work which we were asked to aid was the support of the Bible women of Egypt. We were asked to raise $2500.00 for this work but with God's help we not only raised this amount but $232.00 additional and also were enabled to contribute $5501.00; a grand total of ever $11,000.00.

1913. Bell—R.

Sadness mars our vision of this year for during the summer of 1912 one whom we had grown to love very much as Editor of our "wee" Magazine, Mrs. John A. Wilson, was told her work on earth was finished, that she was to "come home" and be with the Master. Since September Miss Ida B. Little, Young Women's Secretary on our Women's Board, has been giving us her time as our Editor.

Again in October we were called to mourn, as after almost eighteen years of consecrated service as General Secretary of Junior Work it pleased our heavenly Father to take to Himself our beloved friend and leader, Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson. To carry on the work which she had so faithfully performed for the Juniors, the Women's Board, in November, 1912, elected the present General Secretary, Mrs. I. H. Milliken.

The Special Work assigned to us by the Board this year was the building and furnishing of two cottages at the Girls' Boarding School, Sangla Hill, India. We were asked for $2500.00 but only gave $2428.00. Our Thank-Offering however was almost $1000.00 more than last year.

1914. Bell—S.

For six years the Special Work assigned the Juniors had been in our three Foreign fields, India, Egypt and Sudan, so this year our work was in our own land, and was for a Dormitory for the Mountaineers in Frenchburg, Ky. The Women's Board have given us two years to work for $5000.44 for this purpose, so, while we were $39.00 short on one-half of it this year we are determined to work harder next year in order to raise the full amount.

We are rejoicing over the fact that we completed this year the "500" Procession of Life Members, at $10.00 each (we really had 503) for the G. B. S., at Tanta, Egypt.

Again we must speak of a change of Editor of our Magazine. Miss Little felt that she had too much to do to carry both the work of the Young Women and the Magazine, so she was relieved of the Magazine task in July and in August our present Editor, Miss Carrie M. Reed, was elected. We trust that she will be with us many years for we have grown to love her very much.

1915. Bell—A.

1915 was a banner year, for we had the largest number of societies, the largest number of members, contributed the largest amount of money to our Special Work, also to the Thank-Offering, which, of course, gave us the largest total contributions in our history.

Our Special Work was a great success, for with the help of the new coin holders or "Dime Houses" we raised not only the $5,000.00 asked for but $649.41 additional, making the total

amount for the Junior Special for the two years $5649.41. The building was named the "Elizabeth D. Brown Dormitory" in honor of the President of the Women's Board. Miss Elizabeth D. Brown, who was called to her heavenly home last August.

1916. Bell—R.

After eighteen years helping all our other fields in some definite way, we have this year again been helping our Freedmen's Department by raising $2500.00 for a Boy's Dormitory, Vincent Hall, Camden, Alabama. We have succeeded again in giving more than was asked, for we raised for this purpose from the "seeds" of the little Watermelon Coin Cards $2687.00.

We also rejoice that over one thousand Juniors made a formal profession of their faith in Jesus and joined the Church.

1917. Bell—Y.

Silver Anniversary! Yes! and a year of splendid work. After twenty-five years we have 554 congregations where the children are actively engaged in missionary work of the King; a net increase of 60 societies and 1128 members in one year, making our membership now, in America, 14987.

1025 Juniors professed Christ as their Saviour and joined the Church.

Our Special Work has been for the support of 25 Bible women in India at an average cost of $100.00 per year each, or $2500.00, but we have again passed the mark set for us and have given $2958.00, the largest amount ever given in one year for Junior Special.

We have contributed to every department of work under the care of the Women's General Missionary Society, a total of $2363.00.

Twenty societies are on the Honor Roll for having contributed over $100.00 each, while two others deserve special mention as they gave between $90.00 and $100.00.

Our Thank-Offering is almost equal to the largest we ever gave, being $6435.02, making a grand total of contributions for our Anniversary Year, $12,656.03; a net increase in offerings over 1916 of $1,726.94.

(General Secretary to "Junior"): "Have you had any dream of what the future holds in store for you?"

Junior: "Yes. I will have my 'Dream' or rather a 'Prayer' told."

Junior Dream, or Prayer.

It was away back in the eighties
When some of you women were girls,
When the blush of youth was on your cheek
And your hair was done in curls.
If you will, you may remember
That there was no Junior then;
But all mission organizations
Were for women folks and men.
But then, as always, there were mothers
Who had visions clear and keen
Of what the future held in prospect
For those whose minds and lives were clean.
So they called these girls together
To the Pastor's sitting room;
And they prayed and sang and studied
Of far off lands, deep sunk in gloom.
Many were the lives thus molded
In these little Mission Bands;
And their impress has extended
To the far off heathen lands.
So this baby of the eighties,
Grown to be a healthy ward,
Was adopted by the Elders
And the Women's Mission Board
Twenty years and five have speeded
And we meet today to sing
Praise to Him Who guides His people
In the service of the King.
Twenty years and five of sowing
Seeds of love and truth and joy;
Twenty years and five of growing
For our Junior girl and boy.
Till they, too, are now the sowers
Of the good seed far and near:
In India, Egypt, in far Sudan,
In the Homeland, so very dear.

Sowing seed beside all waters,
Knowing that God's watchful care
Will supply the rain and sunshine
In accordance with their prayers.
Thus the grand good work advances
As the laborers increase;
And the harvest fields grown whiter,
For the workers must not cease
For a moment from their labor,
For the Master's call comes clear—
"Thrust ye in the shining sickle;
Reap My Grain that cost Me dear."
I am looking down the future
As I hear the Master's voice,
Calling to our loyal Juniors;
And it makes my heart rejoice,
For, from out their ranks are coming
Side by side with even tread,
Men and women who have heeded
God's own message as He said—
"Go ye forth into My vineyard;
Preach the gospel everywhere,"
Knowing that the promise follows
"I am with you always there."
We can see, too, thru our spy glass,
As we look adown the years,
Visions of the Church's future
That do so allay our fears.
From their training in the Junior
Those great leaders that we see
Carry forth the Gospel banner
With its message full and free.
To the weary by the way side;
To the lonely in the street;
To the tried and tempted stranger,
Who, in their daily round they meet;
To the Freedman in the Southland;
To the worthy Mountaineer;
To the neighbor who is needy,
Whether he be far or near.
To the foreign lands they gladly
Follow Jesus' leading hand;
And they go not out in singles,
But a thronging, joyous band,
Born of knowledge is their giving
Whether of themselves or theirs;
Knowledge of His claim and purpose
And the love His great plan bears.
Cheerful givers are those leaders
Trained for service years before,
Sons and daughters not withholding—
Gifts more rich than golden store.
Praying Christians are those leaders,
Looking unto Christ as King,
Following Him where'er He guides them;
Striving their best gifts to bring.
Loving workers are those leaders,
Knowing well that love must be
The great motive in our service
Should it be rendered worthily.
Courage then, O Junior Worker!
Faithful in the very least,
Training minds and hearts for Jesus
That His glory be increased.
And when our Golden Celebration
Has been reached in forty-two,
May the story of the Christ Child
Have been heard the whole world through.

(Mrs. J. A. McDonald).

General Secretary: 1917 and Junior can you tell us the total number of Junior Life Members, also the total contributions for the 25 years?

1917 and Junior: Yes, indeed, we can. We have a total of 1,319 Life Members, or $13,190.00.

Grand Totals—25 Years.

Regular Offerings	$ 91,457.48
Thank-Offerings	57,663.12
Junior Special	44,969.73
Grand Total	$194,090.33

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. I. H. MILLIKEN,
General Junior Secretary.

REPORT OF

THANK-OFFERING SECRETARY.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1917.

OUR THANK-OFFERING! What can be said of it? Like the "Tree of Gratitude" its ever widening branches shelter more and more the old and young as the years go by, from the poisonous atmosphere of selfishness.

This "Tree of Gratitude" planted in the garden of the Lord is well watered with prayer. Like the mountain pine it is evergreen in its nature, and its sap never lowers. Winter and Spring find it budding and blossoming and under the influence of the heat of Summer, its fruit forms and gradually ripens until at the "Ingathering" time in the Fall, loving hands garner its rich golden harvest for the Lord until with His blessing, it is sent forth to nourish the spiritual needy in the home and foreign lands.

In God's sight who have had a part in the continuous growth of our beautiful Thank-Offering?

Every one who has spoken a kind word in its behalf: every one who has offered up an earnest prayer for its success: every one who has denied herself to give to it, and every one who by example or precept has influenced others to give.

The preparedness for the work indicates the pulse of the movement. During 1916, missionary societies sent in 1656 orders for supplies and were filled as follows: 87,886 Thank-Offering envelopes, 27,862 boxes, 89,158 leaflets, 24,463 Scripture Responsive Services and 8,458 Circular Letters and Report Blanks. Total, 237,827.

From this seed sowing came one of the largest Thank-Offerings in the 29 years of this God given movement.

Note the fact! The 1916 Offering was given without the celebration of any Anniversary—without a special plea for liberal offerings for some definite object, and without any special effort to procure large gifts from the few who have in the past helped to swell the total Thank-Offerings.

This generous gift having evidently been largely given by members of the 1624 Women's, Young Women's and Junior Societies indicates an advance in liberality heretofore unknown in our Thank-Offering history. Is this not cause for great rejoicing, and does it not call for enlarged efforts this year in behalf of raising full $100,000.00 in celebration of the Thirtieth Birthday Anniversary of the Thank-Offering Movement?

The women whose names are upon the roll of our missionary societies have been tested at times in years past, and have endured the test in a way greatly to their credit.

But the seeming efforts they have put forth to induce the two-thirds of the women of the Church who are in no way connected with the societies to give gifts of gratitude into the Lord's treasury certainly do not represent their ability.

As representatives of a denomination like our own, our aims should be the highest along all lines of work for missions: our efforts to bring the indifferent into active service should not cease until they are crowned with success: our gifts should be universal in accord with the

rich blessing God daily bestows upon us and our gratitude should be mingled with praise and thanksgiving till the entire church would join with us in singing with a loud voice—worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and honor and glory and blessing. Revelation 5:12.

In our love for our Thank-Offering cause, and in our love for our Lord upon Whose altar we lay our gifts, will not every delegate and every visitor here, go home, resolving with God's help to begin at once to diligently and perseveringly and tenderly put forth efforts to largely increase the membership of her society and thus increase its efficiency, its contributions, and its Thank-Offerings. *Will you do this?*

Let our earnest daily prayer be that God will prepare us to be co-workers with Him in such a grand forward movement for the extension of His Kingdom. Then one year hence we will rejoice together over prayers we have helped to answer.

THE STORY THE THANK-OFFERING BLANKS TELL.

1916.

In August blanks were sent out to 1624 societies through the Presbyterial Thank-Offering Secretaries. Only 1342 were returned, but they show a most encouraging increase in the offering by a large majority of societies. May the time speedily come when the Presidents of all Societies will see that their Thank-Offering blanks are well filled, and sent in *promptly* to their Presbyterial Thank-Offering Secretaries so that the General Secretary can have the privilege and joy, *for once,* in giving to the Annual Convention a report from all Societies in the Church.

Reports by Presbyterials.

For 1916 eleven Presbyterials are on the Honor Roll for sending well filled blanks from all auxiliary societies: Allegheny with 85 societies, Cleveland 43, Butler 41, Rock Island 25, Kiskiminetas 20, Brookville 15, Illinois Central 10, Le Claire 8, Sialkot (India) 8, Oklahoma 7, and Uncompahgre 6.

"Honorable Mention" is made of seven Presbyterials that missed sending but one blank each and of five that missed but two each. Of the 63 Presbyterials reporting Thank-Offerings, 51 made an increase over the year 1915, much the largest number ever reported in the home-land. In several Presbyterials every society reports an increase, while in others only one or two failed. Thirteen Presbyterials gained over $100.00 each, 3 gained over $200.00 each, 2 over $300.00, 6 over $400.00, 3 over $500.00, 1 over $600.00, and 1 over $1,400.00.

The Presbyterials which reached over the $2,000.00 mark during 1916 are Butler from $1,542 to $2,067, Cleveland from $1,780 to $2,238, Muskingum from $1,543 to $2,043 and Westmoreland from $2,007 to $2,525. Those which reached over the $1,000.00 mark are Colorado from $812 to $1,297, Illinois Southern from $863 to $1,036, and Ohio First from $934 to $1,338.

Argyle, Cedar Rapids, Chicago, Conemaugh, and Delaware having each given over $900.00 the past year, should with very little effort step up into the four figures list during the present year.

The aim for 1917 is every Presbyterial to make a large increase in gifts in order to reach the full $100,000 by December 1st in celebration of the Thirtieth Birthday Anniversary of the Thank-Offering Department of the Women's General Missionary Society. This aim can only

be reached by societies making a large increase, and societies can only increase when individuals increase their gifts and by enlarging the number of givers.

Increase by Societies.

In the 1342 returned blanks from societies 900 report an increase of offerings for 1916, being 186 more than for 1915.

Thirty-eight Women's and thirty Young Women's Societies gained recognition on the Honor Roll by doubling their offerings of the previous year—a gain of 18 over 1915.

Forty-six Junior Societies have their names on the Honor Roll, (a gain of 19) their gifts having averaged one dollar per member.

"Honorable Mention" is made of 93 additional societies — 45 Women, 27 Young Women and 20 Juniors which almost reached the standard required for the Honor Roll.

Facts full of interest concerning large increase in gifts in almost every Presbyterial, especially among the Junior Societies, could be given if space would permit.

All go to prove that societies are reaching every year a higher standard of giving gifts of gratitude to their Lord, which is most encouraging to all who are interested in advancing the Thank-Offering work.

Distribution of Supplies for 1916.

Orders filled	16656
Senior, Y. W. and Juniors Envelopes	87,886
Senior and Junior Boxes	27,862
Senior and Junior Leaflets	89,158
Senior and Junior Responsive Services	24,463
Messages—Letters—Report Blanks	8,458
Total	237,827

Thank-Offering Reports From Foreign Fields.

Egypt.

Delta Presbyterial reports $660.00, an increase of $98.00 over 1915; Assiut $500.00, increase $273.00; Thebes $94.27, increase $4.27; Middle Egypt $101.50, increase $25.50. Total $1,355.77.

Delta Presbyterial gave a larger Thank-Offering than any one of thirty, and Assiut more than any one of twenty-two Presbyterials gave in the home-land.

India.

Sialkot Presbyterial reports $124.66, an increase of $12.61 over 1915; Rawalpindi $37.00; Gujranwala $51.00; Gurdaspur $26.70. Total $239.36.

Pasrur Society increased $15.00 and Khangah Dogran $4.00 over 1915.

Two new societies were organized: one gave an average of ninety cents each as their Thank-Offering.

The societies in Egypt and India disburse their offering to needy objects in their own countries and in the Sudan. Their gifts do not pass through the treasury of the Women's Board, hence they are not included in the treasurer's annual report of the Thank-Offering.

What of the Future?

Aim for 1917.

1. Let your aim be a Thank-Offering box in every home in every congregation, and every inmate a giver.

2. Daily prayers for the mission work the Thank-Offerings help to support.

3. A durable chart on the wall of every room where missionary societies are held, giving the Thank-Offering of 1916 and the advanced sum asked for 1917 toward the $100,000 Thirtieth Anniversary Offering.

4. The best "Ingathering" ever held with the most helpful program and largest attendance.

5. All expense of "Ingathering" paid from the contingent fund of societies and never from the Thank-Offerings.

6. All Thank-Offering blanks well filled out and mailed to Presbyterial Thank-Offering Secretary before December 1st, 1917.

7. An Offering reported from every congregation in the Church one year hence at the Annual Convention.

All these aims can be reached during the year, if every member of every society will do her full part through earnest prayer and preserving effort, and in keeping herself well informed through the careful study of the Women's Missionary Magazine from month to month.

Two Classes.

In every missionary convention there are two classes of people in attendance. Both classes are attentive listeners to the proceedings: both are at the time eager to carry out the plans for advanced work adopted: both are enthusiastic over the bright outlook for the future.

The convention closes: the farewells are said and both classes return to their homes and their societies. Here the change comes: here the similarity of the two classes ends. Why? The members of one class are satisfied to selfishly retain what they learned at the convention, and failing to share it with others they soon become absorbed in other things, and their interest in missions wanes and the good impressions received at the convention are forgotten.

It is the same old story of unused brains, and unexercised m u s c l e s. Through inactivity they lose their ability to perform their functions aright.

What of the second class? Its members having gained new visions of the work God has given them to do, their ears are open to His call for more active service.

They realize as never before, that it is not mere interest, nor sentiment, nor enthusiasms, but action that counts and that it requires action plus interest, plus enthusiasm—all welded together by prayer, to carry out God's will concerning them as individuals.

With the vision gained at the missionary convention, comes new life, new faith, new hope, new love, new purpose and under the guidance of the Holy Spirit these are all put into action that tells for Christ's Kingdom.

The important personal question of the hour is—"To which class will we belong in the future?"

Eagerly we are studying the "signs of the times" concerning our 1917 Thank-Offering. What will it be? Just what the members of our missionary societies make it—and no more.

Judging from the "Story the Thank-Offering Blanks Tell" for last year we have great encouragement to inspire us to accomplish still greater things for the present year.

In closing permit me to pass on to you for future use the earnest prayer and purpose which Dr. John R. Mott gave as his own at the close of the most impressive address made in the Foreign Mission Conference at Garden City last January.

A short time previous Dr. Mott had returned from his second visit to the battle fields of sorrow stricken Europe. As President of the International Young Men's Christian Association, he was given passes to all parts of the fields. He gave his impressions of the condition of the soldiers in the trenches, in the camps and in the hospitals with his voice full of tears which reached the hearts of all present.

His prayer and purpose for the future, he expressed in these touching words:

"Time worketh
Let me work too.
Time undoeth
Let me do.
Busy as time my work I'll ply
'Till I rest in the rest of eternity.
Sin worketh
Let me work too.
Sin undoeth
Let me do.
Busy as sin my work I'll ply
'Till I rest in the rest of eternity.
Death worketh
Let me work too.
Death undoeth
Let me do.
Busy as death my work I'll ply
'Till I rest in the rest of eternity."

May God give us grace to make these words our own and may we be ever found busy in His service till we "rest in the rest of eternity."

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. MARY CLOKEY PORTER,
Thank-Offering Secy.

REPORT OF 1916 THANK-OFFERING.

Albany	$ 359.35	Mansfield	501.54
Allegheny	7438.71	Mercer	1064.61
Argyle	939.10	Monmouth	1612.27
Arkansas Valley	887.24	Monongahela	13426.41
Beaver Valley	2327.01	Muskingum	2043.42
Big Spring	480.34	New Jersey	385.49
Boston	723.00	New York	
Brookville	339.04	Ohio First	1338.16
Butler	2067.77	Oklahoma	208.63
Caledonia	870.53	Omaha	576.72
Cedar Rapids	928.32	Oregon	337.84
Chartiers	2996.34	Pawnee	367.99
Chicago	915.32	Philadelphia	1833.75
Cleveland	2238.62	Pittsburgh	148.37
College Springs	1481.90	Puget Sound	552.10
Colorado	1297.51	Rock Island	864.47
Concordia	271.55	San Francisco	745.47
Conemaugh	991.07	Sidney	415.97
Delaware	933.20	Spokane	237.95
Des Moines	1132.00	Stamford	
Detroit	776.07	Steubenville	1844.26
Frankfort	528.33	Tennessee	388.12
Garnett	404.57	Texas	135.75
Hudson	434.50	Uncompahgre	100.13
Idaho	225.76	Vermont	102.50
Illinois Central	659.83	Westmoreland	2525.99
Illinois Southern	1036.39	Wheeling	1567.61
Indiana	771.00	Wisconsin	414.24
Indiana Northern	182.66	Xenia	1739.00
Iowa Northwestern	199.25	Frenchburg	71.23
Kansas City	523.60	Member of 1st San Francisco	25.00
Keokuk	1294.29	Mrs. Anna C. Lillie	25.00
Kiskiminetas	431.03	Mrs. E. J. Dines Baxter	25.00
Lake	892.06	Mr. D. O. Smith	25.00
LeClaire	320.41	Miss Margaret H. Moorehead	10.00
Los Angeles	1716.91		

Mrs. Nettie H. Bougher	25.00
Convention Offering, Xenia	113.42
Income, E. McCartney Bequest	5.00
Mrs. A. S. Gradle	25.00
Sale of Thank-Offering Supplies	305.00
Mrs. Caleb Baldwin	2.00
Mrs. B. M. Stevenson	2.00
Mrs. C. W. Bedillion	25.00
J. C. E., Schenectady	1.20
Mr. P. C. Bannfield	10.00
A Friend	5.00
Miss Ella Hess and Mother	10.00
Interest	101.92
Interest	1340.19
Total	$77646.29

DISTRIBUTION OF 1916 THANK-OFFERING.

At the regular meeting of the Board of Directors, Tuesday, June 5th, 1917, the following distribution of the 1916 Thank-Offering was made:

Foreign Mission, General	$37500.00
Home Missions, General	9000.00
Freedmen's Missions	17000.00
Indian Missions	3000.00
Parsonage Department	1000.00
Ministerial Relief	728.68
As Designated	9417.61
Total	$77646.29

AN URGENT PLEA FOR ECONOMY TO SOCIETIES.

Large orders are coming in almost daily for Thank-Offering boxes for Women's Missionary Societies and the Women's Board is glad to fill them. But—alas!—some societies are in the extravagant habit of ordering a new supply of boxes each year. Now we come to all societies—Senior, Young Women, and Juniors—begging them to study economy in the use of the boxes sent them. With care the women of the church could seal up their boxes after the "Ingatherings" in the Fall, and use them at least three years, and the Juniors could use their's at least two years. This being an age of high prices the Women's Board pleads for ECONOMY on the part of box distributors as well as box holders, for three reasons:

1st. Because of prices of all kinds of paper having advanced so greatly since the opening of the European War.

2nd. Because of scarcity of card board. Manufacturers find it almost impossible to get material for making boxes.

3rd. Because of the LOW CONDITION ALL THE TIME of the contingent fund of the Women's Board which fund has to meet the necessary expenses of administering the business of the Women's General Missionary Society.

WILL NOT THIS "WORD TO THE WISE" BE SUFFICIENT?

1916 THANK-OFFERING DESIGNATIONS.

PRESBYTERIALS	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Freedmen's Missions	Junior Life Membership	Senior Life Membership	Contingent Fund	Columbia Hospital	TOTAL
Albany								
Allegheny	127.50	105.00		320.00	650.00		75.00	1277.50
Argyle								
Arkansas Valley				20.00				20.00
Beaver Valley		150.00			50.00			200.00
Big Spring								
Boston				10.00	25.00			35.00
Brookville								
Butler				50.00	275.00			325.00
Caledonia								
Cedar Rapids				20.00	25.00			45.00
Chartiers				60.00	125.00			185.00
Chicago	5.00				25.00			30.00
Cleveland				70.00	275.00			345.00
College Springs				20.00	150.00			170.00
Colorado	25.00		8.00	30.00	175.00			238.00
Concordia				40.00				40.00
Conemaugh				20.00	50.00			70.00
Delaware					100.00			100.00
Des Moines								
Detroit				20.00	50.00			70.00
Frankfort				10.00	25.00			35.00
Garnett								
Hudson					50.00			50.00
Idaho								
Illinois Central				10.00				10.00
Illinois Southern				10.00	100.00			110.00
Indiana					25.00			25.00
Indiana Northern								
Iowa Northwestern				10.00				10.00
Kansas City					50.00			50.00
Keokuk				10.00	150.00			160.00
Kiskiminetas				50.00	100.00			150.00
Lake								
LeClaire					25.00			25.00
Los Angeles		50.00		10.00	100.00			160.00
Mansfield								
Mercer				20.00	100.00			120.00
Monmouth				20.00	125.00			145.00
Monongahela				370.00	1225.00		45.00	1640.00
Muskingum				100.00	50.00			150.00
New Jersey				10.00				10.00
New York								
Ohio First					50.00			50.00
Oklahoma					25.00			25.00
Omaha				20.00	25.00			45.00
Oregon								
Pawnee					25.00			25.00
Philadelphia								
Pittsburgh								
Puget Sound					25.00			25.00
Rock Island					50.00			50.00
San Francisco					100.00			100.00
Sidney								
Spokane					50.00			50.00
Stamford								
Steubenville	25.00			20.00	375.00			420.00
Tennessee					25.00			25.00
Texas								
Uncompahgre								
Vermont								
Westmoreland				40.00	250.00			290.00
Wheeling				50.00	75.00			125.00
Wisconsin				30.00				30.00
Xenia				100.00	175.00			275.00
Mrs. Annie C. Lillie					25.00			25.00
Mrs. E. J. Dines Baxter					25.00			25.00
Mr. D. O. Smith					25.00			25.00
Miss M. H. Moorehead				10.00				10.00
Mrs. Nettie H. Bougher					25.00			25.00
Mrs. Carrie Welsh Bedillion					25.00			25.00
Sale of Thank-Offering Supplies						305.00		305.00
Int. on Fund						1442.11		1442.11
TOTAL	$ 182.50	$ 305.00	$ 8.00	$1580.00	$5475.00	$1747.11	$ 120.00	$9417.61

MRS. J. B. HILL, Treasurer.

REPORT OF

FREEDMEN'S SECRETARY.

BEFORE COMMENCING the report of the Freedmen's Department, let us pause long enough to pay a loving tribute to the Secretary, Mrs. Yourd, who four months ago was laid aside and compelled to lay down the work she loved and for which she labored so successfully.

The many letters received from the workers in this field, testified to her faithfulness to the Freedmen's cause and her untiring zeal in its behalf. When she, together with the rest of us, answers to the great roll call, I believe the brightest star in her crown will be that one which shines in evidence of the good she did as the Secretary of Freedmen's work.

The year just closing has been one of success and great opportunity. The schools have been crowded to their utmost capacity, the workers have been blessed with health and the students except in one or two instances, have not been kept from their studies on account of serious illness.

The people in our Alabama Missions have suffered much poverty because of the failure of the cotton crop and the many floods which swept away all the gardens. In spite of these things, the school attendance at all the stations has been larger than in previous years. The many barrels of clothing received from the good friends of the Societies made it possible for the children and older people to have comfortable clothing. These barrels are much appreciated and to all these contributors we extend our heartfelt thanks.

The only building erected was the bungalow for the farmer at Prairie. This was built at a cost of $1500.00 and its pleasing exterior, vies with the convenient inside arrangement, for favor. It has been much admired by the people of that section, as is evidenced by the fact that two of the white neighbors have made a contract with our builder for the same kind of homes.

After consultation with men of experience and in response to the request of the workers at Prairie, we decided to change the policy of running the farm and make it a center of industrial work. In a small way and as a beginning, we have added a canning department, together with cattle raising, dairying and raising garden truck. From this change we are hoping to have a larger revenue; and a balance at the end of next year that will justify the expenditure in making the change.

There is one thing I notice in looking over the Statistical Report and that is, that so many individual societies do not contribute to this department of work. Out of the sixty-four Presbyterial societies all but one contribute, in sums ranging from $6.00 to $1201.00. But twelve Presbyterials contribute in three figures and only one in four figures. Why this discrimination? Is not the soul of the black brother of as much value as the soul of the one who has a white skin? May I not plead with you that in your next year's pledges, you will not overlook this department.

And now for a brief report from each of our twelve stations:

At Chase City, Va., the buildings are all standing; no fire has destroyed them

or marred their beauty. They are busy here getting ready for their commencement, May 22. The hard times and the high cost of living have made it "nip and tuck" to make ends meet and keep our departments self-sustaining. The Domestic Science department under the supervision of Miss Harriet Esden, after much planning, took over the Teachers' Boarding Department for its practical work—each teacher paying $10,00 per month. All meals were prepared and served by the school girls and most of the work was done by the classes at their industrial period. It took close planning and eternal vigilance to make ends meet, but it was splendid training for the 126 girls enrolled. A check received from the Board, enabled Miss Esden to freshen and repair the rooms. Walls, ceilings, floors and windows were gone over and they will be in fine shape for another year. The sewing department, under the care of Miss Margaret Couden has trained 145 girls in the art of sewing; and when two of the girls, living in the town, lost everything they owned by fire, except their night dresses, the sewing class girls got together and in less than a week had made them complete outfits. Miss Campbell, our efficient Matron at Vincent Hall, reports a banner year ·–97 girls and 49 boys, who report three times a day at meal time. Family prayer meetings at which all take part are conducted each Sabbath evening and these meetings have a wonderful influence for good. The teachers here are all white and are doing a grand good work under Rev. Mr. F. W. Wilson.

Rev. R. P. Williams is the Principal of Bluestone—our other Virginia station. He reports progress in the work there and says that through our departments they have been able to be of untold help to the people, in enlightening and enabling them to help themselves. In the Domestic Science department, Miss Sarah B. Davis has given instruction to 22 pupils. These children bring material from their own homes, in order to put in practice the theory taught. Bread making is one of the daily tasks, as it is, at this point, there is so much failure in their homes, and good bread is so essential.

Miss Etta Davis has charge of the sewing here. Materials were so high, she had a splendid opportunity to teach economy. In spite of this fact, advancement has been the rule. 65 girls have succeeded in making 100 articles and while articles had to be sold for the cost of material alone, she was able to close her year with a small balance to her credit. The work grips to the extent that it is practiced in the homes and in many cases her pupils make the clothes for the entire family. It is also remarkable how neat and comfortable they can make their homes on so little—and all the gratitude of loving hearts is extended to the Women's General Missionary Society for these existing conditions.

Henderson reports 92 girls and 55 boys in the dormitories. Miss Christianita Totten, who is one of the missionaries supported by the Young Women's Special, says we might have had a larger enrollment of dormitory pupils, if we had larger accommodations. Only one case of serious illness has been reported; a boy was operated on for appendicitis. While it was an intricate case, God mercifully spared his life. We realize more than ever, what a blessing our hospital is to the school and to the community, for in this case if we had been compelled to go to a hospital in another town, his recovery would have been doubtful. The whole student body here presents a solid front for Christ.

Many thanks are extended to the friends who sent quilt, comforts, sheets, pillow cases, etc.

In the Domestic Science Department, Miss Josie Warren has instructed 95 girls in cooking. The work has been quite satisfactory and seven girls will graduate from this department. Their work in preparing and serving meals would find favor in the judgment of the most fastidious. These pupils will teach in the rural schools where this instruction is so much needed. The cooking in their homes, leaves much to be desired. They are taught to cook in quantities sufficient to feed a family and thus the training has been most practical.

The sewing rooms claim two teachers, Miss Sallie Fields teaching the younger children in beginning stitches, seams, plain garments, etc., and Mrs. Rachel Tarter having the higher grade pupils who learn drafting patterns and dress making. It has been a hard year, because of the high cost of material which made necessary very close management. The high prices, however, have developed a latent talent in the students for making beautiful things at a small expenditure. Shirt waists, dresses, scarfs, pillow cases make a creditable showing and some of the work done here took the first and second prizes at the County Fair last fall. The judges saying the embroidery was not only the best, but the most beautiful they had seen.

The Jubilee—one of our two hospitals—has in its whole existence only had two months when it was not self-supporting. Miss Daisy Reed who has been Superintendent has resigned and Miss Eva Johnson, a graduate of Spellman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., has been elected to succeed her. This is the only institution in Henderson where the sick or injured of the colored race can go for treatment and is of inestimable value as a missionary factor.

The College at Knoxville is the Mecca toward which the students at all the mission stations turn their faces. Miss McCahon, our missionary here, has been ill some of the time this year but during her well period she has managed to make 950 visits and hold 137 meetings. She reports a number of conversions, through some new work she has started.

Miss Clara Speers, Superintendent of the Young Men's Dormitory (McCulloch Hall) has cared for 135 during the year. She has an enrollment of 100 at present and all but five are professing Christians. In addition to her dormitory duties she has a Sabbath afternoon class of younger boys, some of them coming in from the outside. She also conducts a Literary Society for the grade boys. Both of these are most interesting.

Miss McDill has been the house mother of 36 younger girls in McDill Hall. These girls represent 13 different states. All, except two are professing Christians. Two were compelled to leave during the year; one on account of her influence on the other girls, and one on account of her father's death. But one girl has been ill enough to be sent to the hospital.

Miss Marion Hamlen, the Domestic Science Teacher, had 65 girls in her department. They have had practical as well as the text-book work. Evening dinners are prepared and served for seventeen members of the faculty. In doing this, they get the practical work.

Miss Margaret Kerr had an enrollment of 100 of the younger girls in her sewing classes. Her pupils are from the second to the fourth grades. Any contributions of pieces of goods, large enough to be made into bags, pillow covers and things

which are made by small children, would be most gratefully received.

Miss Foster has the advanced work in sewing. In her department are made many of the dresses and all the uniforms worn by the students. They draft patterns and design garments. Splendid reports come from former students who have finished here and have gone to teach in our own mission schools. It is right here that we reap some of the results of our labors; when our girls go to work for the uplift of their own race. A nice balance remains to the credit in each of these sewing rooms.

Miss Margaret and Miss May Beverage report a helpful and harmonious year in Elnathan Hall. 120 girls have there found a home and some were refused admission because of lack of room. Special interest has been shown in Y. W. C. A. work and mission study classes. An American Red Cross First Aid Class has been formed with 45 members. There are many needs here which could be suggested to societies desiring to take up "Special Work." Here, as at every other station "making ends meet" was the problem. The high cost of living on the one hand, without an increase in incomes is a serious proposition.

At Athens the boys as well as the girls are learning to cook and sew under the supervision of Miss Mays and Mrs. Bates respectively.

Very acceptable were the contributions of goods, thread, needles, buttons, sent from one of the Pittsburgh Societies. These contributions enable them to close the year free of debt. The Domestic Science Department not only provided for current expenses, but provided several sets of dishes for its use. Both these departments are highly appreciated and largely patronized by the people of Athens.

At Riceville, Miss A. M. Spiller, conducts both the sewing and cooking departments. She has an enrollment of 38 in each class and has made many useful articles in the sewing room and taught table setting and practical cooking in her Domestic Science classes. Much need for clothing, was met by many barrels and boxes of new and second-hand clothing received during the year. Still the need was not met altogther and we would suggest more contributions in the future.

And now, to Alabama where five of our schools are located.

At Arlington, where Rev. John Arter is principal, they report an exceptionally hard year, but the boarding department under Miss Woodward's care has kept up with the 100 pupils most of the year. The different classes prepare three meals daily and this department has maintained a high standard of order and cleanliness which has made the desired impression on the students. Miss Della Harris had 50 girls in her dormitory. Each one a professing Christian and a happier bunch of girls does not exist. Miss Kinibuo has charge of the laundry work and serves extra meals. White people who have any business about the school are always glad to get meals here. Six girls who were trained here are now in the North as servants and are doing nicely. Through the laundry work, many of the girls make the money that keeps them in school.

All kinds of sewing from plain garments to dress making is taught successfully under the care of Miss Elena Stone. The department is self-sustaining, receiving part of its income from tuition paid by some of the young married women of the community, who take advantage of this instruction. Besides self-supporting, they were able last year

to buy a new Singer sewing machine and have an old one repaired.

Prairie with its new Yourd Hall, and all other buildings resplendent with a new coat of paint, presents a most attractive appearance. Mrs. Elliott is indeed a mother to the 30 girls sheltered in the new dormitory and through her influence they have all confessed Christ.

Miss Hoffman and Miss Johnson are teaching Domestic Science and Sewing. The meals served in Yourd Hall are all prepared by the girls and they are learning much in good housekeeping, good morals and neat sewing under the respective teachers. The weather has been unusually severe, but there has been no serious illness and while the hard times have visited this field through failure of crops and floods yet the report is, "All is well."

Mr. Dumas, the farmer, is not satisfied with his financial report this year. The cotton crop on account of the "boll weevil" was a comparative failure. The garden a partial failure on account of the floods and weather conditions. With the change in the farm policy, however, he hopes for a better showing next year. His total receipts were $693.10; disbursements, $613.22; sent to Board, $79.75; balance, $0.13.

Canton Bend seems to have suffered more from the failure of crops and the high cost of living than any of the other stations reporting. The children are reported as showing in their faces the result of not having enough to eat. This is a day school for community children, no dormitory is maintained. Mrs. Ella Cotton, who teaches sewing, reports that no greater punishment can be inflected on her pupils than to keep her out of her sewing hour. A plea is sent for more contributions of things which can be used in the sewing room. Material, thread No. 60, needles, etc. They are unable to buy these things and if those who are making up barrels would include these things, they would be much appreciated. The fact that the children and older people as well are hungry for bare necessities touches a chord in all hearts and I hope I may never have to report again actual destitution in any of our fields. In spite of these distressing conditions, the attendance has been kept up, even above that of other years; the parents are so anxious to have their children educated.

I regret to say that the report from Camden came too late to include the nice balance from the sewing and old clothes departments. The Treasurer's books close April 15th and all moneys received after that date must go into next year's receipts. Miss Jennie Jones had an enrollment of 102 pupils in her sewing department and Miss Rodgers taught 85 in Domestic Science. The two departments which are of vital interest to the needs of these poor ignorant people.

Miller's Ferry, one of our oldest missions, had a banner year. School and dormitories crowded beyond their capacity. Much good work is being done by our sewing teachers. The community and sections from which the pupils are drawn testify to the efficiency of the work done in this department at this Mission. No annual reports were received, but one some time ago reported a Thank-Offering of $75. Prairie comes next with between $25 and $30. Other stations had good Thank-Offerings which were not reported.

Because of the crowded and unsafe condition of the old Henderson Hall at Miller's Ferry, the Board has consented to appropriate $4500 toward a new and better building if sufficient funds are available and if the Convention approves

The need can not be questioned, the ability and willingness of our societies to contribute to all appeals has been the admiration of other denominations; the call is urgent. May we not count on you to come to the help of this, our oldest Alabama Mission.

Before leaving for the Convention, I was informed that Miss Mattie Smith, a life long resident of Pittsburgh, Pa., and an ardent friend of the Women's Work, had in her last will and testament bequeathed about $1500 to the Freedmen's Mission. Surely this came in direct answer to prayer for money to build the new dormitory. Already two persons have taken "memorial rooms" at $50 each, and our confidence that the new dormitory will soon be a reality is unbounded. We feel certain there are many of our friends who will in this way delight to honor the memory of a dear one who has gone before.

Two conferences were held recently by joint committees from the Freedmen's and Women's Board. The "High Cost of Living" brought appeals from the field for higher salaries. At the first conference, the following recommendation concerning our single colored workers prevailed: That we allow first year workers $30 per month, second year workers $35 per month, third year workers $38 per month, and fourth year workers $40 per month.

At the second conference it was recommended that we allow $5 per month on account of board to all our white teachers.

In addition to the bequest of Miss Smith a dear friend in Pullman, Wash., sent us a copy of her will which told of her interest in the colored people by leaving one-half of her estate to their uplift. This to take effect when she is through with the things of time. We wish her many years of service here, but feel grateful for this evidence of her love for these people.

The following is the financial statement for the year ending April 15, 1917. Total receipts, $22,509.45, including a balance of $137.92 from last year. By Presbyterials, $5,500.50; by Industrial Departments, $107.45; individuals, $795.00; Sabbath School Classes and J. M. S., $13.50; Thank-Offering, $15,005.00; Legacy, $475.00; Young Women's Societies (Special) $420.00; Interest, $67.50; Refund, $45.75; Payment Noy Steele, $79.75. The total disbursements included $15,460. For Salaries, $1,500; farmer's house, $1,129.43; painting, repairs, etc., Insurance, $419.75; equipment of farm, $595.00; work on farm, $150.00; Henderson Hospital, $249.38; Coal, $110.00; Pupils, $120; Junior Magazine, $50.00; Advertising, $50.00; Shoes, $5.70; Etc.

We wish to report that Tennessee Presbyterial has pledged one-half salary of a Bible woman to the Sudan. The very first Presbyterial to do this beautiful thing.

And so with a nice balance to our credit, a remarkable year in the health of our teachers and students, a change in the policy of running the farm, a slight raise in salaries, a new building completed and one contemplated for next year, this report is respectively submitted and our hearts go out in gratitude to the Giver of all good to Whom we ascribe all the glory.

The Magazine, beside instructing and inspiring you, has this year devoted its surplus funds ($500.00) toward the erection of the new dormitory at Miller's Ferry.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ADA KERR WILSON,

Secretary pro tem.

REPORT OF

HOME DEPARTMENT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1917.

"Lord, while for all mankind we pray
Of every clime and coast,
O hear us for our native land
The land we love the most."

WE FREQUENTLY hear specialists declare that the health of mankind depends upon the proper care of that part of the body upon which they specialize. Now, we specialize on Home Missions which is made up of so many organs, that we can not put such a responsibility on any one organ. Sometimes the (organ) missionary is among foreigners who have come to America bringing all the prejudices and false religions of their native land, and must be taught, probably in their own language that they are not foreigners, but Americans. That while we welcome all nationalities, we will not tolerate a Germany or an Ireland in America. Sometimes the (organ) missionary is in the rural districts where distances are great, roads are bad and people hard to reach. Sometimes, in a city, which it has been said is our Gibraltar. And sometimes among "The Mountain People," who are willing to accept the Gospel we too often withhold.

So our (organ) home missionary is busy among all these people, and by life and example raising the moral standard of the community.

In the report published in this Magazine, each worker will tell her own story, as the time given is too brief to give a full report.

During the year we have supported five workers among the Alien's, eight city missionaries, our school for the Mountain People located at Frenchburg, Ky., including the salaries of the ten workers, the maintenance of the dormitory and hospital located at the same place, and the erection of the new and permanent Elizabeth D. Brown Dormitory. The little temporary dormitory, used for two years will give place to the permanent one, which will be ready for occupancy at the opening of school next fall. Last year 46 students were in the dormitory and this year 73. It was only possible to accommodate this number by using the attic and basement of the school building and the wards in the hospital. We are glad to report that all rooms in the dormitory have been taken by Presbyterials, societies or individuals, with the exception of the large reception and reading room. Also that some of the rooms in the hospital have been taken. These rooms will be named as the donors have requested, and marked by suitable tablets. We wish to thank all who have helped in this way by donating fifty dollars each for a room, also to those who are making bedding, rugs, etc.

Monongahela Presbyterial has given over one thousand dollars to put in an electric light plant as a memorial to Miss Elizabeth D. Brown, who for many years was the efficient treasurer of that Presbyterial and for whom the dormitory is named. This gift is especially appreciated. The hospital has seen some busy days during the year. There was a very serious epidemic of measles, in which the lives of two pupils were lost. These were the first deaths among the pupils since the opening of our school seven years ago.

There were 260 patients in the hospital making a total of 580 hospital days for the year. Two clinics were held. Dr. Delos Hogue, of Springfield, Ohio, and two nurses being in charge. These give their service gratis and meet their own traveling expenses. We cannot say too much in their praise. We are glad to report Philadelphia Presbyterial has assumed $200 of the salary of our resident physician, Dr. Esther Mitchell. Are there not other Presbyterials that will take the salary of one of our home workers?

The first United Presbyterian Church in the state of Kentucky which is our little Frenchburg church has grown both in membership and in attendance. The total enrollment in schools was 244. A class of five graduated from the full four years' course, May 17th, making twelve graduates since the opening of the school. The present members of the faculty have been re-elected for next year.

ALIEN WORK.

On account of this terrible war, Miss Emelia Tron was obliged to resign from the work in the Wilmerding-Rankin Districts to seek a more lucrative position. Miss Tron wrote, "After this terrible war is over, I hope to enter missionary work again." Her brothers have all gone to war and she alone is left to support the family. She left the work in good condition. As yet no one has been secured for her place.

Miss Elizabeth Hamilton resigned from the Croatian work the first of January and Miss Elizabeth Reynolds who was appointed in her place, was only in charge one month when the Master called her to come up higher. Mrs. Edward A. Daum is now in charge. This mission is supported by the women of Allegheny Presbyterial.

Rev. Mr. Renzetti continues to minister to his flock in the Brushton Italian Mission, with Miss Elenor Ribet as assistant. It was my pleasure to attend the dedication of the new church in this district, the last Sabbath of April. With such a beautiful and commodious structure the work must surely prosper more than every before.

With this report Mrs. Josephine Pasquerella closes her work in the first Italian Church, Pittsburgh, Pa. The work has prospered, and we are sure the people are sorry to lose Mrs. Pasquerella's services.

FRENCHBURG SCHOOL.

Annual Report, April, 1917.

In summing up the work of the past year, we are reminded that this is the end of the first period of missionary service for our school. We can scarcely realize that so much has been accomplished in seven years. We are very grateful for God's blessing on the work of our school.

The academic department proper has had an increased attendance in the past year, the total enrollment being 244. The very serious epidemic of measles during which we lost two of our pupils by death has helped to keep the attendance and enrollment from a greater increase. We feel that we have been able to maintain the high standard of work of the past and also to take some forward educational steps. The work of specialization and departmental work has been enlarged so that there is departmental work for all but the first two grades. The manual training work has been given an impetus and with better equipment has been put on a stronger footing. We have had pupils from five counties surrounding our own and from all but eight school districts in the county. There have been 184 pupils in the grades, 12

in normal and 48 in the high school. Of these 166 were district pupils, 45 county high school pupils and 33 scholarship pupils. This year a class of five will graduate from the full four years' course. The district has paid the salary of one teacher for the district pupils and the county the salary of another for the tuition of the high school and county pupils.

The second year of the dormitory has seen a marked increase in attendance. The first year we had 46 in all, this year 73. Of these 45 were girls and 28 boys. This increased attendance with our cramped quarters meant the erection of a temporary dining hall, the use of the wards in the hospital and the use of the attic and basement of the main building. Students endeavoring to work all their way not having money to pay numbered 31, others to the number of 36 worked part and paid part. With the increase that will come next year with the use of the new dormitory, we will need more scholarships for those who are willing to work for an education but who can not pay for it in money. Fifty dollars will provide the food for a student in our dormitory for the school year.

The hospital has rendered increased service in the past year, there having been a total of 260 patients, 309 infirmary treatments and 580 hospital days. There were 45 surgical operations, 39 refractions and 23 examinations. With the service of the electric light plant, water and sewer system our physician will not have to labor under such difficulties in caring for patients. During the measles epidemic the little hospital was filled to overflowing and patients had to be cared for in the cottage.

The church in connection with our work has had steady growth in membership and attendance. This offers the only opportunity for regular Sabbath services for the people of the community. The denominational proclivities of the mountain people militate against a rapid growth in the start, but the growth is a permanent one. Young men and women are receiving training that will fit them to go back into their home communities and be religious as well as educational leaders in these communities. The Bible study work for which credit is given in the regular academic department is taught in the Sabbath School classes of our church.

Our work has had hearty co-operation on the part of the women of our church. It is impossible in this brief report to give credit to all who have helped this work by their contributions of services, material and money. We wish to take this opportunity to thank all those who have in any way contributed to the support and the success of our work. Those who wish to keep in close touch with our work should read the monthly Bulletin we have begun publishing this year. We are able through it to answer many inquiries and give many messages that would be physically impossible for us to do by letter.

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. WEIDLER.

WORK AMONG THE ALIENS.

Report of Miss Elizabeth Hamilton for Ten Months' Work Among the Croatians, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Average attendance at Sabbath School, pupils 43, teachers 5; total 48.

Average at boys' meeting, 11; at girls' meeting, 10; total, 21.

Average at afternoon meetings, 19; total week day average, 40.

Offering for year, $51.13.

Disbursed as Follows:

Frenchburg Dormitory	$ 4.00
Indian Missions	5.00
Bible Women of India	3.00
Freedmen's Missions	6.00
Frenchburg Shoe Fund	6.00
Supplies, gas, repairs, etc.	24.40
Total	$48.40
Balance on hand	$ 2.73

Visits by worker 503.

Miss Hamilton resigned from the work the first of the year.

Miss Elizabeth Reynolds who succeeded Miss Hamilton was only in charge of the work one month when, after a brief illness of pneumonia, the Master called her to come up higher. Mrs. Edward A. Daum is the newly appointed missionary. This work is supported by the women of Allegheny Presbyterial.

Miss Emelia Tron, missionary in the Wilmerdin-Rankin district resigned her position January first. The average attendance in the Sabbath School at Rankin was 29 and at Wilmerding 64. As yet no one has been appointed for this field. Miss Tron made an average of 200 calls per month, or a total of 1800 for the nine months she worked since the last annual report.

BRUSHTON ITALIAN MISSION.

This year has been a year of harder work on account of the war. Our Italian colony has been affected by it, because many of our people went back to Italy to join the army. Smaller is the field, harder is the work specially when the people are ignorant and superstitious.

It has been told every year some fact to show the need that our people has for the Gospel of Jesus Christ. They firmly believe that we Protestant do not believe in God and that because we are out of the Catholic Church we are lost in soul and body forever.

They believe that because the dominant religion in Italy is the Catholic, all the Italians are Catholics and when they come here, the Americans try to buy their souls, and the stupid Italians embrace the American religion, as they call it, for beans, shoes or some other thing.

One day I was in a house talking with a man and his wife about Jesus. The man said: "How much do you get to go around the house and do this kind of work?" When I answered his question, he said: "I know now; that is the reason why you do that, because you are paid, but I know that you are Catholic in your heart."

I said to him: "I beg your pardon sir, you are mistaken, I had never been a Catholic because I was born and raised a Protestant, being from the Waldensian birth, and I was Protestant and doing the same kind of work without pay when I was not a missionary, I am paid because I give all my time to the work."

He then said: "You are a liar, because no Italians are born and raised Protestant, they are all Catholics."

See my friend! that is what we get from them. What can we do for such people if not to pray God that He may open their eyes to know the truth and see that we are not liars?

Many times I cried, after a day of hard work, seeing the indifference of these people. They do not go to any Church, their aim of life is to work, eat and drink. The Sabbath day is for them a day of pleasure, playing and drinking from morn till night and often ending the Lord's day with fighting, shooting and killing.

We are trying to do our best to take them away from Satan's claws and to bring them to the Saviour's feet.

During this year I visited 48 new families. Nine new members were re-

ceived into the Mission of which four were women.

The cradle roll has been enlarged by seven new babies, making a total of 35.

This year average attendance at our Sabbath School has been 52, we have on the roll a total of 67.

The Venia Smith Woman Missionary Society hold their regular meeting every second Thursday of each month. They have been instructed in the different branches of the work of our Church and have contributed to the different causes $41. This seems a small amount but indeed it is much, knowing that we have only 10 women members in the society.

We had 30 in the night school with an average attendance of 15, and our sewing school on Saturday afternoon out of an enrollment of 28, the average attendance was 17.

I made a total of 1617 visits, and hope and pray that the seed sowed in those hearts some day will bring forth fruit.

For all that we have done during this year we give glory to God the Father.

ELENORE RIBET,
Missionary.

Statistical Annual Report of the Brushton Italian Mission.

April 18th, 1916 to March 31st, 1917.

Number Ruling Elders (Prov. Session)	3
Communicants by last report	69
Communicants, present number	69
Increase by profession	8
Increase by certificate	1
Decrease by death	1
Decrease by removal	8
Infant Baptism	4
Sermons preached	50
Average Attendance	54
Bible Class taught Sabbath morning	50
Average Attendance	24
Sabbath School	1
Officers and teachers	11
Number of Scholars	56
Average Attendance	52
Mid-week prayer meeting	1
Average Attendance	23
Christian Endeavor	1
Number of members	20
Junior Missionary Society	1
Number of members	32
Y. W. M. S.	1
Number of members	10
Weddings	2
Funerals	1
Bibles sold	2
New Testaments and Portions given free	100
Calls	800

Contributions.

Collected during the year from every department of the Mission	$429.00

Expenses.

To the Home Mission	$ 45.00
Special to Work Abroad	7.00
Special to Work at Home	14.00
Benevolence outside denomination	60.00
Contribution to Women's Work	29.00
Congregational Expenses	182.00
Total Expenses	337.00
Average per member in contributions	6.21

We are looking forward for still better results, with God's will, in the new place of worship, a nice little church which will be dedicated on April 29.

Our thanks to the heavenly Father for what He enabled us to do for His own honor and glory and for the salvation of our countrymen.

REV. MICHELE RENZETTI,
Missionary.

FIRST ITALIAN, PITTSBURGH, PA.

It is impossible to give in detail all of the work which has grown in all departments, both in numbers and efficiency.

The Sabbath School has an enrollment of almost 300, and for the past few months more than 500 have been coming occasionally. The average attendance is fairly good. There are two classes of men, one taught by Rev. Mr. Scarpitti in Italian, the other taught by Miss Dryan in English. Miss Carrie Reed has a class of young girls. We have twelve teachers at present. Mr. W. Taylor, of

the third church is the very efficient and enthusiastic superintendent. The sewing department has an average attendance of 40 with a very large enrollment.

An immense amount of leaflets on temperance and other religious subjects with a large number of Bibles and New Testaments were distributed, and are given out weekly, especially to the non-evangelic homes and they also signed the pledge. Some have united with the church, all on profession of faith.

A great unexpected occurrence to the congregation was the resignation of the pastor, the Rev. J. B. Fortunato. At first not one of the congregation would accede to his request, and only did so on his insisting that it must be accepted. We have been very fortunate in securing the Rev. S. Scarpitti, of Wilmerding, who was chosen for us by the session of the Third United Presbyterian church.

During my work as missionary, by the help of the Lord I have been able to save some souls. In so many homes I have gone, speaking, praying and persuading them to come and hear the work of God. For three months I took the children from one Catholic home to our Sabbath School. One Sabbath I found the children's godfather and godmother there. They were angry with the parents for permitting the children to go to Sabbath School and with me for entering their home as I am a Protestant. They carried on with beer and profane language. I insisted on telling of my Savior, but they threw beer on me and ordered me out, or they would put me out. All I can do is to pray that the Lord will save them and help them to understand the true and living God.

MRS. JOSEPHINE PASQUERELLA,
Missionary.

CITY MISSIONS.

April 1st, 1916 to April 1st, 1917.

Another year has passed into history. As we turn in retrospect we are conscious of many hours spent in earnest prayer, many in earnest study and thought, and many in a variety of activities for the Master's Kingdom, besides several weeks confined to the house through sickness.

Much hard work has been done in the little Twelfth Church the past year by Dr. W. R. Wilson, the Seminary students, your missionary and many others. Besides the usual church work, eighty-six cottage meetings were held, also four weeks of evangelistic meetings: two weeks in January at which Dr. W. E. McCullough was the principal speaker and two weeks in March at which Mr. Tom Brown of the Seminary and Rev. Kenyon, of Ligonier, Pa., were the evangelists. Your missionary made eleven hundred and seventy-four calls.

The Sabbath School has a Cradle Roll of forty-three (43) and a Home Department of twenty-three (23) members. It has had two Teacher Training Classes. We have graded lessons in the Beginners, Primary and Junior Departments. We had a communicants class twice during the year conducted by Dr. W. R. Wilson. We consider this a most helpful and practical departure from the regular lesson. There were twenty-three added to the church during the year; seven of whom were children from the Sabbath School.

Some one has asked what our greatest hindrances are. We suppose we were expected to mention some of the grosser evils, such as drunkenness and immorality—and these are mighty factors to be reckoned with in the "Old Fifth Ward"—but we believe the things which hinder the cause of Christ here more even than

these is coldness, indifference, worldliness, selfishness, lack of love, thoughtless hasty speech, and ignorance of the Word. There has been noticeably less drunkenness on the streets since the raiding of two well known joints in this locality.

Times of trouble, sickness and death are God's open doors for the City Missionary. In seasons of trial people take time to think on eternal verities. The world has for the time lost its attraction, being unable to meet their difficulties or give comfort. Their hearts are tender and open and they are more willing to be taught. In times like these we thank God for the trials that have come to us through life that bring us into sympathetic touch with humanity so that we are able to say with Paul (2 Cor. 1:3-4) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort: who comforteth us in all our affliction, that we may be able to comfort them that are in any affliction through the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God. We are often reminded that we can only preach Christ as far as we know Christ. We can only help others as we ourselves have been helped of God. But we also find that in trying to help others we help ourselves. In our own sickness we were greatly comforted by the very same messages we had so earnestly given to others in their times of sickness. They served as a boomerang coming back to ourselves. How glad we have often been that the gospel message of love and salvation is for everyone who will receive it, even at the eleventh hour.

The writer was very anxious to work among factory girls this fall. We made application and were freely granted the privilege of speaking to the girls at the Wolverine Supply and Manufacturing Company's factory once a week. This was a very interesting but exceedingly difficult undertaking. Our sole purpose was to make God more real to them, to bring Christ to the individual and the individual to Christ. We tried to give them a real gospel message each day in the simplest possible way. Each message had to be a barbed shaft for the girls are not like innocent school children looking up into the face of a loved teacher, drinking in every word she may say but most of them (not all) are a restless, worldly set who must be caught as it were by guile. We had from twenty to thirty at each meeting. We began in September and ended the last week of November on account of sickness. We trust, God willing, we shall be able to take up this kind of work next fall.

MARGARET M. HEAZLETT,
City Missionary.
12th U. P. Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.

WEST SIDE, ALLIANCE, OHIO.

The work shows a decided advancement for the year ending March 31, 1917, over the previous year. We have been able to hold Sabbath School only thirty-five Sabbaths out of the fifty-two on account of having no place to meet from September 10, 1916, to January 14, 1917. The South Lincoln Avenue school building where we had been meeting was adding an addition of ten rooms to an eight-room building, which shows how the West Side is growing. Our new temporary building (located on the corner of Cambridge and Haines Ave., two of our principal streets) was dedicated January 14th, gives a feeling of permancy and has already made a great difference in our work. We can now hold any meeting independent of the school board or the kind friends who so often opened their doors for prayer meetings and other services.

During the entire year the Wednesday evening prayer service has been an encouraging feature of our work, has been well attended and much interest manifested. Since the opening of our chapel four adults and one child have united with the church.

In March, 1916, a Junior Missionary Society was organized under the name of "The Girls' Guild." Having to meet in the homes of the members made it necessary to limit the membership and for this reason the boys were excluded. In February, 1917, however, the boys were admitted and the society was reorganized with 30 members.

On April 3, 1917, an organization of the women in connection with the chapel was completed under the name of "The Ladies' Auxiliary." This is a Missionary and Aid Society combined. Some of the women belong to other church societies, but eight of the twelve members do not belong any where. The Sabbath School is in a very flourishing condition. The people of the West Side have shown their interest in the work by asking for a Sabbath evening service.

Enrollment in Sabbath School	140
Average Attendance	70
Regular Offerings	$73.60
Leper Work	2.91
Bibles for Hotels	1.50
Special Offering	17.82
Total Offerings in Sabbath School	95.89
Offerings of Girls' Guild	11.00
Disbursed as Follows:	
Junior Special	$ 5.00
Home Missions	1.00
Freedmen's Missions	1.00
Indian Missions	1.00
Scholarship in Frenchburg	1.00
Chapel Building Fund	2.00
Total	$11.00

During the year we have held 126 meetings and 844 calls have been made by the missionary, and many others by the calling committee of the Women's Missionary Society and the pastor of the first church.

We wish to record our thanks here first of all to our heavenly Father Who has been with us all the way and Who has guided us through many trying situations during the year. Then to the Board of Church Extension that has so generously provided for us our beautiful building site and thus made it possible for us to have a place of our own in which to worship.

SALLIE E. DICKEY,
Missionary.

OAK GROVE AND SEARS MISSIONS, ROCK ISLAND, ILL.

In looking over the past year I am very grateful to God for what has been accomplished. Until August I worked between Oak Grove and Sears Mission. Average attendance in Sabbath School at Oak Grove from April first to August first, 70; in church, 35; prayer meeting, 18; missionary and aid society, 18; Junior, 22; Offering in Sabbath School, $21.30; in church, $58.70. We also had a Y. P. C. U. doing good work.

On April 21st the congregation was organized with 23 charter members, sixteen of these on profession of faith and seven on renewal. Rev. M. L. Neill is the pastor in charge. The work in this new field was started the first Sabbath of May, 1916. Eleven adults and thirteen children were present. I worked in both missions until August when the Women's Board appointed me to this mission. I continued to work at Oak Grove two days each week to repay the time taken from them before my transfer to this new mission, and still go every Sabbath morning to teach my class of girls, six of whom have been lead to accept Christ and have united with the church on profession of faith. This

mission is in a new and growing residence district, having recently been taken into the city of Rock Island.

We have grown wonderfully in numbers, beginning with the babes on the cradle roll which number 42, then the little beginners and all the grades to the adult Bible class whose average attendance is 20. A Women's Missionary and Aid Society was organized in October with 12 members and now numbers 22 active members, all doing good work. The Y. P. C. U. was organized in November with 10 members and now numbers 34 all of whom are much interested. The Junior Society is about six months old, all anxious to learn and willing to take part in the meetings. The Juniors number 34. Have found this a delightful work and an open door of great opportunity.

Cottage prayer meetings were started in September. We had no place to meet and a few of the women met and prayed that God would open the way. He surely heard and answered, for every week since we have had a place offered, with a word of welcome.

I have made a thorough canvass of this field. There are six Roman Catholic families, four Christian Scientists, three Seven Day Adventist, one United Presbyterian. All the rest are Protestant, the majority belong to no church in particular. There are seventy families in touch with our mission. Our audiences are mostly made up of women, young people and children. Very few men have come to our mission. We are praying for them, and God will hear and answer prayer if we are really in earnest.

Sabbath School enrollment, 125; average attendance, 85; offerings, $62; average attendance missionary society, 20; offering, $18.00; average attendance Junior Society, 35; offering, $4.64.

Have made 2989 calls. I wish to thank the Women's Board for sending me here and for my two weeks vacation. I believe God has precious souls to be saved in this field. The report of a City Missionary is always a chapter of "beginnings." She goes ahead sowing the seed here and there and then moves on to the next new field. But oh, the joy of the seeding time. Buoyant hope and glowing promise abound at every turn. Whatsoever ye shall ask in my name believing, that will I do that the father may be glorified. Engraved as in the eternal brass the mighty promise shines, nor can the power of darkness erase these everlasting lines.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH MCMILLAN,

Missionary.

BROOKDALE MISSION, ST. JOSEPH, MO.

October, 1916 to April, 1917.

Miss Workman reports as follows.

After closing my work in East Akron, Ohio, in June, a pastor being in charge, I enjoyed a much needed rest until the first of October when appointed by the Women's Board to new work in this field. This mission, located in a suburban part of the city, twelve or more blocks from any other church building, has been occupied for many years. First by the Cumberlands, then by the regular Presbyterians, and finally the United Presbyterians decided to undertake what the others had given up as a bad job. A lot had been secured by the Cumberland Presbyterians in the days of their prosperity and a little frame church erected, which was purchased a few years ago by the United Presbyterians. And the Sabbath School which had experienced many ups and downs,

of which the "downs" seem to have predominated in late years at least, had still a struggling existence. After occupancy by the United Presbyterians, the first church furnished for a time, most of the teachers. There was an attendance varying from 35 to 75, which reached an average of 50 for October, arranged in six classes, two of them without regular teachers. The difficulty of securing teachers is still a very real one, though we now have nine classes, with earnest faithful teachers, two senior classes with an enrollment of 20 and an average attendance in the Sabbath School of 76, for March. An enrollment of 130 includes Home Department and cradle roll. Sabbath School offering for six months amounts to $47.64, eight dollars of which was given to Home Missions and a "White Gift" offering of $10 was given to work for the Mountain People at Frenchburg, Ky. Among the "White Gifts" were baskets of groceries for poor families, oranges for the Children's Home, and one live white chicken which caused some merriment by stepping out of the white covered basket onto the platform, during the program. The Juniors also contributed $5.00 to foreign missions.

Although as yet we have no pastor, we have an address each Sabbath by a Y. M. C. A. representative, Rev. Mr. LeClere, or some visiting minister. We have an earnest Bible Study and Prayer Circle among the women that meet each Wednesday afternoon, and an enthusiastic Junior Society of 48 members.

We are hoping for a minister to take charge of the work after the meeting of the General Assembly. There are many people in the community who are unchurched and many others whose names are on some church roll who never attend anywhere, and lots of otherwise good people who are being attracted by that fatal delusion called Christian Science, of which it has been truly said, "No one can believe the doctrine without first assassinating his own mental powers," but which nevertheless is proving a great hindrance to the spread of the Kingdom.

Have made 1100 calls and have been cordially received in most homes of the community. We are in College Springs Presbytery. The work here is under the immediate care of Rev. J. F. LeClere, the earnest hard working pastor of the first church, with Dr. J. B. Work as Presbyterial S. M. and Rev. T. C. McKelvey the S. S. M.

MARY A. WORKMAN,
Missionary.

ALAMO HEIGHTS MISSION, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

The average attendance at the regular church services has been steadily increasing. The congregation has been organized and we now have eighteen members. They are interested in the work and the prospects are encouraging. The every member canvass was taken with good results.

A Junior Society was organized in March and the children are much interested. We have for our lesson the subjects given in the Youths' Evangelist, then we have Bible drills and are learning the books of the Bible and their authors. We have a Women's Missionary Society of twelve members, have secured four subscriptions for the Missionary Magazine. We have sent sixteen dollars to missions from our society and had a Thank-Offering of fourteen dollars. Our Sabbath School is increasing in numbers and very much in interest. We have a splendid corps of teachers who attend regularly, which is very im-

portant to the success of the school. Last year one of the members of our First Church here died and in her will she left one hundred dollars to the Alamo Heights Mission. We used that money to pay off the remaining debt on the piano. We are more encouraged now with this work than ever before.

EDITH WARNOCK,
Missionary.

ANNUAL REPORT OF IRMA G. ALLEN, LOS ANGELES PRESBYTERY.

This the annual report of your California missionary covers a period of eleven months. It is a record of many hopes, a few achievements, and some disappointments.

Work at Yorba Linda was continued with interest and some degree of success. The only hinderance was the lack of a building for worship. By courtesy of the School Board, Sabbath meetings were held in the public school house. This privilege did not extend to week nights, therefore no place for mid-week meetings was available. A congregation was organized in April with 19 members.

The Women's Missionary Society was both active and progressive. They will be a great help to the church when the building, now under construction, is completed.

Aside from the Yorba Linda work your missionary conducted a Sabbath School and did some settlement work among the Mexicans in an adjacent village. This effort will be sure to bear its share of fruit. These poor people are very much neglected though they have lived within the borders of our state for four generations.

In October work was transferred to Palmdale. What shall I say of Palmdale, our desert experience? Doubtless if the whole story were told it would flavor of its desert climate. Dry, windy and barren. Since the work has been discontinued let me only say this. As most deserts have oases so had our Palmdale experience. This oasis to which thirsty people eagerly came and which was the joy of the winter's work, was a mid-week Bible Class. Though they may forget who sent them their teacher they will never forget their earnest effort in the study of God's word. May we not leave in God's hands our work there and hope that He will use it to some good.

As I go to the new field to which you have appointed me, in Fresno, may I ask that you continue to remember me in prayer?

I close with many prayers for the Convention at Sterling, and for the work throughout the whole church.

Sincerely yours,
IRMA G. ALLEN.

Inglewood, Calif.

MONTROSE, COLO.

Miss Aulora McIntyre closed her work at Montrose, the first of January, a pastor being in charge.

Miss McIntyre reported an enrollment in Sabbath School of 159; cradle roll, 36; home department, 16; church membership, 75. "White Gift," $20; W. M. S., $12; incidental, $20.40; Thank-Offering, $41.17; special for missionary's salary, $22.00; number of calls in ten months, 1179.

Miss McIntyre is under appointment to Gary, Ind., but owing to ill health has not been able to begin the work.

DEAF MUTES, PORTLAND, OREGON.

The work among the deaf has been encouraging, although there have been some discouragements. I very much regret that more do not come to church for we have such splendid helpful ser-

mons. The attendance varies from ten to twenty-five. About forty per cent. of all the deaf in the city attend. When I visit those who do not come and ask why they neglect the church, they, like, hearing people, make lame excuses such as they work all week and like to stay at home Sabbath mornings. But those who come, scarcely a Sabbath passes that one or more do not speak of the help they have received, and I know from their every day life they are trying to live a Christian life. The children of every family come to Sabbath School regularly. This is one of the most encouraging features of our work. Three have united with the church. One, a bright winning girl of eighteen has a strong influence among the young people. Her mother died when she was twelve, and one of the first things she said after accepting Christ was, "I want Donald (her nine-year-old brother) to be a Christian, I want to take him to mother." She never misses a service and is a regular contributor to the support of the church.

Death entered the homes of two of our members. From one a dear little year old baby was taken very suddenly. Was only sick a week with pneumonia. The grief of the parents was very great, but as they laid the body away they could confidently say, "He is safe in the arms of Jesus." The mother is a member of our church. The father, who is a hearing man, is a Lutheran. In the other home a dear old mother past eighty years of age went to her reward. She had lived a beautiful Christian life, and while the heart of her deaf daughter is sad and lonely, she is fully resigned. It gave me great pleasure to interpret the funeral service and see what comfort they received. We have been able to help a mother of five children get a pension of $25 per month from the city, which keeps the wolf from the door. Am sure the deaf fully appreciate the work you are doing for them, only wish I could get all of them to come.

Yours sincerely,

MRS. FLORENCE METCALF,
Interpreter.

CITY MISSIONS.

In four of our missions congregations were organized, namely, East Akron, Ohio, Oak Grove Mission, Rock Island, Ill., Alamo Heights, San Antonio, Tex., and Yorba Linda, Calif. In each instance except one (Alamo Heights, where the missionary, Miss Warnock, has been retained) the missionary was appointed to a new field. Miss Mary A. Workman from Akron to Brookdale Mission, St, Joseph, Mo. Miss Elizabeth McMillan from Oak Grove Mission to Sears Mission, Rock Island and Miss Irma G. Allen from Yorba Linda, Cal., first to Palmdale and later transferred to Fresno, Cal.

Miss Sallie Dickey has been retained at West Alliance, Ohio, and Miss Margaret Heazlett at the 12th Church, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa. Mrs. F. C. Metcalf has continued as interpreter to the deaf mutes in Portland, and writes encouragingly of the work.

We wish to thank all who have in any way contributed to this department and ask for your continued interest. Our workers at Frenchburg have a Victrola secured through personal gifts which is carried to outlying districts. If any of you have records which you would gladly pass on, kindly write the Home Secretary the names of the records that duplicates may be avoided. The boxes and barrels of clothing were very much appreciated and helped clothe many poor children; but will you not please prepay freight and expressage on all boxes and

barrels. Just recently the Home Secretary received freight and express bills amounting to $50. The freight would mean very little from each society, but when a number of societies forget to prepay, it makes quite a draw from the Home Mission account. And in sending to Frenchburg, may I remind you that whenever possible you send by parcel post.

Financial Statement for Year Ending April 15, 1917.

Credit Balance April 15, 1916	$15,750.89
Receipts April 15, 1916 to April 15, 1917	23,740.80
Disbursements, April 15, 1916 to April 15, 1917	31,001.48
Credit Balance April 15, 1917	8,490.21

Only our large credit balance of last year enabled us to close the books on the right side of the ledger. $7,260.68 more being disbursed than was received during the year. Support Home Missions. America must be saved if the gospel is to be "preached to every creature." We ask your assistance by contributions and by prayer.

"America for Christ,
So shall the land be strong
To render help in distress,
Relieve a brothers helplessness,
And light the world with blessedness,
America for Christ."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. WM. S. COOK.

REPORT OF

INDIAN SECRETARY.

IN SUBMITTING our report for the year 1916 and 1917, we wish first to express our gratitude to God for His continued goodness to us.

For the first time I am faced this year with the task and the privilege of bringing before you some idea of the past year's work in our three mission stations among the Indians; Warm Spring, Simnasho, Oregon, and Tama, Iowa. I can assure you it is no easy task to follow my predecessor, Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson, who, for the past five years has so successfully attended to this department of work and brought to you such interesting reports. It is also a little difficult to present the same sort of information in a fresh and helpful way. But after just four months in office I deem it a great privilege to have begun this work and come in close touch with it through our earnest representatives in these fields. With two facts I have been specially impressed from month to month; the wonderful amount of work being undertaken and faithfully performed by our missionaries, and the need of more sympathy and encouragement from those who support this work. Let us never forget that they have many discouragements and problems to face that we know nothing of, and so mindful of these things let us get near to them by working in our societies steadily and faithfully, by giving as we have opportunity to the cause we and they represent, and oft in fellowship and spirit meet around one common mercy seat.

One of the speakers at the great Convocation in the First Church, Allegheny, last January said if you had a thousand dollars and would spend it in taking a trip through our mission fields, India, Egypt, and the Sudan it would yield 100 per cent. Your interest would be so strengthened, your sympathy awakened, your knowledge increased and you would have such a desire to tell others

of the needs, thus you would enlist others in the work now so dear to your heart. Our missionaries return after a service of seven years, and oh, with such earnest pleadings that others may be sent out to reach the millions who are in darkness without a ray of hope. We have built hospitals, established boarding and day schools and sent out doctors, teachers, nurses and missionaries many. Why? because we want the message of Jesus and His love given to our brothers and sisters across the sea. Nor do we stop there. The same is true in the Southland among our Freedmen and in Frenchburg the precious message is taught to the Mountaineer, and now let us turn our thoughts toward the Red man. The General Assembly has turned the entire work among the Indians to the tender loving care of the Women's General Missionary Society. Are they a needy people? Did Jesus die for such as these? Are they just as precious in his sight as any of the others we have mentioned? Ah, yes, the love of the Father includes the whole world. Have we been faithful to this charge? Are we caring for their physical needs and training them to care for their bodies that they may be a fit temple for our Saviour to dwell in? Our missionaries are working hard. They preach, teach, minister to the sick, feed the hungry, and everything else that the Indian thinks they should do.

This work depends entirely upon you, my dear co-workers. Let me give you a few figures. We have according to our last Statistical Report 820 Women's Missionary Societies with a membership of 22,446. Last year 346 Women's Societies contributed to the Indian Work. Leaving 474 Societies not contributing. The entire contributions for our three mission stations for this year amounted to $2451. Now this is from the 346 Women's Missionary Societies plus 52 Young Women's Societies and 54 Junior Societies, and it requires about $5000 to support the work we have undertaken. If the 474 Women's Missionary Societies, 258 Young Women's Missionary Societies, 376 Junior Societies not contributing only knew of the need do you not think they would gladly do their part to support this work? I fear many of our societies do not realize that this is a separate department and does not benefit from money given to Home Missions.

A few facts gleaned from the Annual Reports of our missionaries will give you an idea of the work done during the year.

Warm Spring. Our missionary, Rev. H. T. Jackson, in referring to daily records for the past year notes that 850 pastoral calls were made, 104 sermons preached, and 43 prayer meeting services held. Six of the young people from the boarding school publically confessed Christ and two adults were received on re-confession, others are attending the meetings and seem to be hungry for the truth. At the last communion service we had the largest attendance in two years. It is gratifying to note that the new principal of the boarding school is a member of the United Presbyterian Church and opens the day's work with the reading of the Scriptures.

Simnasho. Our missionary, Rev. W. A. Mathews, reports the average attendance for the year 42, an increase of eleven over last year. 376 visits among the Indians have been made. The death angel has entered the mission sixteen times during the year. Of those taken eight were babes less than two years old. Six from tuberculosis, one of these, Lena

Patt, a good Christian girl and a member of our church. To her own people she spoke of the fact that she was not afraid to die and that she knew that Christ would lead her into that better home, and two had lived more than the allotted three score years and ten.

Tama. Our missionary, Rev. R. G. Smith, reports seven persons were baptized and received by profession into the church and one by letter. Two have been removed by death. The present number of communicants is twenty-six, making a net gain of six over last year. One of our leading members prohpesies that in ten years the old Indian dance will be gone. He has become quite a missionary on the reservation and surely lives a Christian life. One of the girls is going to make an application for Red Cross Service and Mr. Smith writes that he thinks she will prove herself perfectly capable.

We realize that much of the success of our work is due, under God's blessing, to faithful service. With united prayer for larger blessing we enter upon the duties of another year.

Indian Missions Account.

Credit Balance April 15, 1916	$1,427.50
Receipts.	
By Presbyterials	2,540.50
By Sabbath Schools and Individuals, direct to Treasurer	23.00
By Thank-Offering	2,600.00
Disbursed.	
To Salaries	$3,460.00
To S. S. Periodicals and Junior Magazines	120.95
To Insurance	174.95
To Convention Expenses	45.00
To Light and Fuel	104.27
To Sick and Needy	123.56
To Repairs, Etc.	567.67
To Christmas Gift	5.00
To Transfer	59.50
Total	$4,660.90
Credit Balance April 15, 1917	$1,930.10

Tama, Iowa, April 7, 1917.

To the Women's Board:—

For an annual report am sending the regular statistical report which you will find enclosed. A duplicate of which has been sent to the Superintendent of Missions of our Presbytery. This report could not be made until April 1st as it covered that period. During the past year we have baptized seven, all of whom were received by profession into the United Presbyterian Church. One was received from Haskell West by letter.

We are sad to report that two of our number have been removed by death. Our present number of communicants is 26; last year's report was 20; making a net increase of 6.

While the work is of necessity slow, yet in many respects it is encouraging. First. One of the representative members of the tribe spent six hours with me today talking over the advisability of starting an industrial class among the boys. He was very much pleased with my plan and will be willing to co-operate with me in it.

Second. I have been cordially received by some of our most conservative individuals in giving Bible lessons to them. I have been able to pray with them in their homes. To my surprise I have been invited to take charge of two Indian funerals. While this was severely criticized by some of the more conservative it also opened the way for Bible instruction in certain homes. I cannot help but contrast the calls made in camp seven years ago with those of today. In nearly every pastoral visit that I have made I have been able to read the Bible and offer prayer. Jim Eagle, one of our leading members prophesies that in ten years the old Indian dance will be gone. He has become quite a missionary

on the reservation and surely lives a Christian life.

One of our girls is going to make an application for Red Cross Service. I think she will prove herself perfectly capable.

Respectfully submitted,
R. G. SMITH.

R. G. Smith, Minister, Tama, Iowa, Indian Mission. Communicants, by last report, 20; Communicants, present number, 26; Increase by Profession, 7; Increase by Certificate, 1; Decrease by Death, 2; Adult Baptisms, 7.

Warm Springs, Ore., March 30, 1917.
To the Women's Board:—

Once more we present a resume of our labors and conditions among a most needy race. Lights and shadows intermingle on the canvas of every days' experience. Ignorance, superstition and erroneous teaching hold in a strong grip multitudes about us, and yet in the midst of all disappointing features we thank God and take courage.

Six of our young people from the boarding school, having been taught in a communicants class, publicly confessed Christ, and were received into membership; also two adults were added on reconfession of faith. We are still hopeful that others who have become dissatisfied with spurious teaching will cast in their lot with us.

Some of these are attending quite regularly and seem to be hungry for the truth and give good attention to the messages.

At the communion service last Sabbath the largest audience was present that we have had for two years.

More opportunities are desired for personal contact with the boys and girls in the way of Bible instruction. We are greatly hindered in this because their time is so fully occupied with government requirements.

There are evidences of spiritual growth along different lines of Christian work in a few of our members and we believe some are making progress in the grace of giving. The testimonies and prayers of some of our older members are at times pleasing; the following is a sentence from a recent prayer by one of our Indian men: "O Lord, the foundation which Thou hast laid is large enough for all men to build upon." Confessions of individual sins are very frequent.

Not long since we forwarded $50.00 for the Armenian and Belgian relief funds, contributed by the government employees, missionaries and Indians. The Daily Telegram, of Portland, Ore., thought it worthy of mention in the following headline: "Indians show pity for the Belgian poor." And then stated, "Four Indians from the Warm Springs reservation are among the latest contributors to the Belgian Children's Food Fund."

Greatly increased audiences are present at the sic-se-qua chapel, nine and one-half miles from the Agency. This is largely the result of the labors of several of our elders who conduct services regularly. The missionary endeavors to preach there once each month.

In referring to our daily records for the past year, it is noted that 850 pastorial calls requiring 880 hours were made. 104 preaching services and 43 prayer meetings were held. (During three or four months of the year the Indians lead such a nomadic life that the usual number of services cannot be conducted). The missionary paid $62 for interpreting.

We are observing the 14th day of each month (the day set apart in the Prayer Cycle of the United Presbyterian

Church, in behalf of the Indians and missionaries among them in the United States).

Indications of answers to prayer in our work recently, are manifest. It is gratifying to note that the new Principal of the boarding school is a member of the United Presbyterian Church, and opens the day's work with the reading of the scriptures, a new procedure in connection with school management in these parts.

The need of still more intercessory prayer in the midst of the great immorality and false teaching on every side, is realized.

We have a deeper conviction that one of the chief obstacles in our way here is the number of Christless employees sent by the government and who by their example are detrimental to the spiritual uplift of the Indians: hence the craving of more earnest petition for Christian men and women to co-operate in molding the character of those entrusted to our care.

We are profoundly grateful to our many friends who inquire so frequently through correspondence respecting temporal needs and the responses are indicated by the many donations mentioned at the close of this report.

Through the kindness and liberality of the Women's Board and other friends we were enabled to illustrate Bible characters and scenes by means of stereopticon slides, the results of which were beneficial.

Donations for Warm Springs, Ore., for the Year Ending March 31, 1917.

1. Box of clothing, bedding, kimonas, dried fruit, etc., W. M. S., Willammette, Ore.

2. Barrel of clothing, bedding, etc., W. M. S., North Kortright, N. Y.

3. Two nice comforts, W. M. S., Plaingrove, Pa.

4. One nice comfort, W. M. S., Davenport, Iowa.

5. Barrel of clothing, toys, etc., North Yakima, Wash.

6. Box of clothing, Mrs. William Kruegal, Pullman, Wash.

7. Box of clothing, cotton, calico, toys, etc., W. M. S., 1st U. P. Church, Spokane, Wash.

8. Box of clothing, books, toys, etc., U. P. Sabbath School, Albany, Ore.

9. Box of dolls, scrap books, etc., Y. W. M. S., San Jose, Cal.

10. 75 stockings for Christmas candy and 40 nice scrap books, Junior, Monmouth, Cal.

11. Forty nice needle books, Doris Porter Hulick, Ainsworth, Iowa.

12. Package of John's Gospel, Mrs. J. P. McKenzie, Ainsworth, Iowa.

13. Silk bags and cushions, Mrs. R. A. Acheson, Ainsworth, Iowa.

14. Nice chain post cards, Mrs. Mina McCleary, Crawfordsville, Iowa.

15. Nine nice dolls, Miss Lois Yates (dressed by Juniors), Shedd, Ore.

16. A large package of N. Y. Christian Heralds containing three interesting serials, and a quantity of post cards pasted on bright cloth, Mrs. Sarah Baltimore, Albany, Ore.

17. Post cards pasted together, Miss Laura Henderson, Los Angeles, Cal.

18. A comfort for Blind Beechkin, Mrs. J. C. Alter, Berkeley, Cal.

19. Box of scrap books, from the Juniors' Exhibit at Xenia Convention.

20. $13.55, W. M. S., Kimbolton, Ohio, towards the purchase of a cart for the missionary's wife.

21. $5.00, Miss Lulu Carmichel, Mt. Ayr, Iowa.

22. $5.00, Mrs. Cora Zimmerman, The Dalles, Ore.

23. $5.00, Miss Jennie Jackson, Portland, Ore.

24. $3.00, Mrs. O. S. Furgeson, Malta, Ill.

25. $1.00, Mrs. Rev. Adair, Coal Valley, Ill. (For interpreting).

26. $1.00, W. M. S., Garner, Iowa. (For soap).

27. Barrel of clothing, etc., Kenton U. P. Sabbath School, Portland, Ore.

28. Quilt pieces from the following:
Y. W. M. S., Princeton, Ind.
Y. W. M. S., Nampa, Idaho.
Juniors, St. Joseph, Mo.
W. M. S., Altoona, Pa.
Mrs. W. R. Spaulding, Albany, Ore.
Miss Ella J. Kyle, Bad Axe, Mich.

29. One year's subscription to The Youth's Companion, Mrs. J. E. Blair, Albany, Ore.

30. $50.00 for the needy Indians, the Women's Board.

31. $2.50 worth of tracts and the Gospel according to John, The Bible House of Los Angeles, Cal.

Your co-worker in the Master's service,

H. T. JACKSON.

Simnasho, Ore., March 27, 1917.

To the Women's Board:—

Another milestone in life's journey for us has been reached; another year of service to be accounted for. And as we enter upon the task of rendering our account to our Women's Board and to our church at large we wonder a little how the record reads as written by the Omniscient Judge. Our minds travel back over the events of the year; over its joys and sorrows; over its encouragements and discouragements; over achievement and failure; and we wonder if we have done our bit as faithfully and as well as we might.

A feeling of sadness comes over me,
Which is not akin to pain,
And resembles sorrow only
As the mist resembles the rain.

And we experience that sadness—almost pain—as we remember the times we have faltered, the times we have been impatient, the time perhaps we have even doubted. And we are sad, too, as we remember all the superstition and all the paganism and all the unbelief which clouds the lives of all too many of these poor benighted people among whom our lot is cast.

Our work for the month of May and the early part of June was somewhat broken into by our trip East to attend the Annual Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society at Xenia, May 9 to 12, and later the General Assembly at Cleveland, May 24 to 29. These were most helpful as well as most enjoyable events to us. We remember with a good deal of pleasure the many kind friends we met and the many favors shown us both while in Xenia and Cleveland and also during our stay over Sabbath in Chicago. During our absence the work here was looked after by the Rev. J. A. Speer, of Portland, Ore., who for so many years filled the position of missionary at Simnasho.

The usual services have been held every Sabbath during the year except one—July 2. The Fourth of July celebration for our Indians was scheduled to begin Monday, July 3, at Warm Springs, 22 miles distant. The customary thing would be to make the trip upon the Sabbath day to the scene of the celebration. To avoid this we encouraged our Indians to make the trip upon Saturday that they might be settled upon the Sabbath and in a position to attend the services at the mission at Warm Springs. To this end we withdrew our services at Simnasho. The average attendance at

the services for the year has been 42 as against 31 for last year. The smallest number present at any service was 5, while the largest number present was 150 by actual count.

For some time past we have been having a 25 or 30 minute service four mornings a week with the school children in the day school here. The former custom was a service every Friday afternoon lasting about an hour. The new plan is much more effective.

On the morning of Thanksgiving day we had a service in the church. The school children gave a short program of song, etc., this in addition to the regular service.

On the afternoon of Christmas day we had our Christmas tree and program. This event has become very popular with our Indians. This year the church didn't hold them all. It was impossible to make a count but we estimated that at least 225 were present. The Indians say that this was the largest crowd ever present at the church since the days of the boarding school here.

We have during the year continued our custom of being about among the Indians a great deal. From July 1st to the present writing (March 27) we have made a total of 376 visits among the Indians. This has meant a considerable amount of riding and driving over roads none too good at the best and which so many times are very, very bad.

The death angel has been in our midst 16 times during the year. Of those taken 8 were babes less than two years old; 6 succumbed to tuberculosis; and 2 had lived more than the allotted three score years and ten.

We want at this time to thank the many who by letter and otherwise have expressed interest in our work and in us and to again thank the following who have manifested their interest in our work and in our people in a very substantial way.

1. Young Women's Missionary Society, First Church, Cambridge, Ohio. Cash, $3.50.

2. Women's Missionary Society, 2nd Brooklyn U. P. Church. Box patch work pieces.

3. Mrs. R. W. Galbraith, 4830 North Spaulding Ave., Chicago, Ill. Cash, $3.

4. Young Women's Bible Class, First U. P. Church, Cleveland, Ohio. Two barrels clothing.

5. The King's Heralds (Young Ladies) of the Jackman Ave. U. P. Church, Avalon, Pa. Box clothing.

6. A Friend, Cleveland, Ohio. Cash 50 cents.

7. The Kenton U. P. Church, Portland, Ore. Box clothing.

8. Friends of the old First Church, Portland, Ore. 2 boxes of clothing, 1 box of shoes.

9. W. M. S., Riverside, Cal., by Mrs. J. F. Hanna. 1 barrel of clothing, dolls, etc.

10. W. M. S. and Sabbath School, First U. P. Church, Spokane, Wash. Box clothing, dolls, etc.

11. Mrs. J. C. Alter, Berkeley, Cal. Box patch work pieces and several articles of clothing.

13. Mrs. J. E. Blair, Albany, Ore. Youth's Companion for 1917.

14. From the Junior Exhibit at the Xenia Convention. Box of attractive card booklets.

15. Women's Board. Cash, $50.00.

Every gift enumerated was of excellent quality, much appreciated, and went to fill a niche in some needy life.

We crave the prayers of all who read

this article that God may bless the work among this needy people.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. MATTHEWS.

Financial Statement.

Expenditures.

1916—Sept. 28—	
12 cans milk	$ .90
Freight on same	.07
34 lbs. candy	4.65
Freight on same	.21
25 lbs. box prunes	2.60
Freight on same	.16
100 lbs. rice	4.05
Freight on same	.43
80 lbs. beans	6.00
Freight on same	.40
40 lbs. coffee @ 17c	6.80
Freight on same	.20
1 barrel Portland Flour	5.15
Freight on same	.84
10 dozen candles	2.15
Freight on same	.20
2 cases crackers	3.26
Freight on same	.12
100 lbs. sugar	7.00
Freight on same	.43
Dec. 11—Toys, etc., from Meier & Drank Co. (for Christmas)	2.63
Dec. 7—From Jones Cash Store as per bill	5.70
Postage on same	.65
Dec. 15—From Sears & Roebuck, masks for Mr. and Mrs. Santa	.25
Dec. 10—From David C. Cook's, toys, etc., for Christmas	1.25
(No bill for this, I am enclosing an an itemized memorandum)	
Dec. 18—From Townsend & Van Schoohoven, for Lena Patt, 3 dozen oranges	1.20
Postage on same	.30
Dec. 23—From Hartman, candy for Christmas	2.00
1917—	
Jan. 20—For Lena Patt from Hartman as per bill	.50
Jan. 25—For Lena Patt, from Townsend & Van Schoonhoven, oranges	1.60
Postage on same	.40
Wood for church	3.00
Cartage on 3 boxes in Portland, paid to L. B. Speer	.75
Paid Isaac McKinley for freight on same from Maupin	1.75
Total expenditures	$67.60

Receipts.

Cash, Women's Board	$50.00
Cash, Y. W. M. S., First Church, Cambridge	3.50
Cash, Mrs. R. W. Galbraith, Chicago, Illinois	3.00
Cash, a friend, Cleveland, Ohio	.50
Total Receipts	$57.00

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JOHN S. CRAWFORD,

Indian Secretary.

REPORT OF

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1917.

WITH GRATEFUL hearts we praise our heavenly Father for the work which He has performed through this department during the past year.

In many ways it has been the best in the history of the Women's General Missionary Society notwithstanding the fact that we have been called to mourn the loss of one of our very best, Miss Nannie J. Spencer. She had served her Lord in India for twenty-two years and was summoned into His presence suddenly; only a few hours of pain and then—"In His presence for ever more."

The number of missions supported is about the same as last year—eighty-six.

The Lord sent out the following named young women in October, 1916. They traveled by way of the Pacific as the Atlantic was considered very unsafe:

To India: Miss Marietta Hamilton, Miss Louise Scott.

To Egypt: Miss Florence A. Hutchinson, Miss Jeanette McCrory.

To the Sudan: Miss Emma McKeown.

Returned after furlough to India: Miss Laura G. Dickson, Miss E. Josephine Martin, Miss Josephine L. White.

All by the blessing of God, reached their destination in safety and are now hard at work learning the different languages.

Our responsibilities remain about the same as last year, viz.:

India.

Forty-seven women missionaries.

Twenty-five Bible women.

Memorial Hospital, Sialkot.

Good Samaritan Hospital, Jhelum.

White Memorial Hospital, Pasrur.

Dispensaries at Sialkot, Jhelum, Khala, Bhera and Pasrur.

Girls' Boarding School, Sialkot.

Girls' Day School, Sialkot.

Dispensary at Pathankote.

Girls' Boarding and Day School, Sangla Hill.

Home for Dispensary Workers, Bhera.

Home for Lady Missionaries at Sialkot, Lyallpur, Sangla Hill.

Elizabeth Gordon Home, Sialkot.

The name of Miss Ethel Wilson is dropped from our list and appears on list of foreign board workers as Mrs. J. H. Colvin. Our best wishes go to the young couple in their new Christian home in Lyallpur.

Estimates granted year ending July, 1918, $44,319.00.

Egypt.

Thirty-six women missionaries.

Fifty Bible women.

Martha McKeown Hospital, Tanta.

Dispensaries at Tanta and Benha.

Girls' Boarding and Day Schools at Alexandria, Tanta, and Luxor.

Girls' Day Schools at Karmous, Kafr el Ashri, Beni Suef, Fayoum, Monsurah, and Zagazig.

Mary Herron Rest Home, Ramleh.

The new hospital buildings at Tanta are under roof and plastered. Work has been suspended by Mission because of extraordinary rise in price of materials owing to war conditions.

Treasurer's report will show a special balance for completion of buildings subject to order of Mission. Meanwhile it is deposited in bank and interest is being added and compounded.

Fund for Girls' Boarding School in Tanta is also on special deposit with interest compounding.

We now have the handsome sum of $54,958.20 for this new building. Mission will call for this money whenever it considers it wise to begin building. Probably not until peace is declared. Speed the day.

Estimates granted for the year ending July 1, 1918, $40,609.00.

SUDAN.

Three women missionaries.

One Bible woman. (Half her salary paid by W. M. S. of Tennessee).

Girls' Boarding and Day School, Khartum North.

William Little Day School for Girls, Wady Halfa.

Government gave us a plot of ground in Wady Halfa upon which a new school building of three rooms has been erected and opened free of debt through the generosity of a friend. The school has therefore been named in his honor, The William Little School for Girls.

For health reasons it has been decided not to return the Misses Bradford and McIntyre to the severe climate of the Sudan.

Estimates granted for year ending June 1, 1918, $9,195.00.

We rejoice to report that in spite of war's alarms six young women have heard and answered the Master's call to foreign service.

Miss Mary Thompson, a daughter of President Thompson, of Tarkio College; Miss Beulah Chalmers, Topeka, Kansas; and Miss Margaret Brown, McDonald, Pa., are to be sent to Egypt.

Miss Luella Jean Snyder, a graduate nurse of East Lennox, Pa.; Miss Sara B. Moore, siter of Henrietta Moore, of Slippery Rock, Pa.; and Miss Kate E. Spencer, cousin of the late Miss Nannie Spencer, are to be sent to India.

We earnestly entreat you to pray for the Spirit's guidance for these dear girls, as they enter upon this very responsible service.

The names of those whom we expect to return to their fields if health and other conditions permit this autumn are are follows:

INDIA:

Miss Kate A. Hill.
Miss L. B. Hamilton.
Miss Elizabeth McCahon.
Miss Henrietta Moore.
Miss Cynthia Wilson.
Miss Rosa Wilson.

EGYPT:

Miss Leota Cabeen.
Miss Elsie French.
Miss Edna J. Giffen.
Mrs. T. J. Finney.
Miss Roxie Martin.
Miss Helen Ferrier.
Miss Roe Williams.

SUDAN:

Miss Elsie E. Grove.

India Equipment Fund.

Total amount of this fund received by our Treasurer to date is $17,980.43. Of this sum $645.36 is accrued interest. We recently forwarded $3,500.60 to the treasurer of the India Mission for the erection of a ladies' bungalow at Rawalpindi. The balance remaining in our treasury will be held until the women of the church decide to contribute additional funds needed to supply the estimates required for the support of the new institutions for which this money has been given.

We have expended for salaries and traveling expenses during the year, $41,402.63. For estimates, outfits, buildings, support of institutions, specials, etc., $69.518.33. Total, $110,920.96.

Aside from the fund for the Tanta Girls' Boarding School, we have specials amounting to $15,734.88 which can only be used for objects designated. The year closes with all obligations met, enough of a balance in salary account to pay all salaries maturing during vacation period and three hundred and seventy-seven dollars and thirty-five cents in foreign general account.

After very careful and prayerful consideration, our Board unanimously recommended the following regulations concerning our foreign missionaries, for adoption by our National Convention meeting in Sterling, Kans.

All outfit allowances, $150.00; annual salaries for women physicians, $750.00; annual salaries for all other women missionaries, $600.00; all furlough salaries, monthly, $45.00.

All furlough salaries to begin when regular salary ceases. All regular salaries to begin when furlough salary ceases.

Maximum furlough period, sixteen months. If approved by Convention, these regulations will be carried by delegates to their Presbyterial and congregational societies. As we depend entirely upon voluntary contributions we must have time to persuade our members to contribute the additional funds needed for these new obligations; therefore this schedule will not go into effect until April 15, 1918, in order that sufficient money may be in hand to meet the increased payments.

Deploring our shortcomings and thanking our Father for answered prayers and other manifold blessings, we enter another year with full confidence in our Master that He will continue to care for His work and workers.

Honor Roll containing the names of all who have paid their salary pledges, in such fashion that there were no deficits in their accounts when our Treasurer closed her books, April 15th:

Names	Number of Salaries Pledged
Allegheny Presbyterian	3
Argyle Presbyterial	1
Arkansas Valley Presbyterial and Caledonia Presbyterial	1
Beaver Valley Presbyterial	1
Boston Presbyterial	1
Butler Presbyterial	1
Cedar Rapids Presbyterial	1
Chartiers Presbyterial	2
Chicago Presbyterial	1
Cleveland Presbyterial	1
College Springs Presbyterial	2
Colorado Presbyterial	1
First Ohio Presbyterial	1
Indiana Presbyterial	1
Keokuk Presbyterial	1
Los Angeles Presbyterial	1
Mercer Presbyterial	2
Monmouth Presbyterial	1
Monongahela Presbyterial	13½
Muskingum Presbyterial	2
Philadelphia Presbyterial	1
San Francisco Presbyterial	1
Southern Illinois Presbyterial	2
Wheeling Presbyterial	1
Xenia Presbyterial	2
Margaret A. Bell	1
Miss Helen T. Brown	1
Miss Anna Milligan	1
McFarland Family & Mrs. Mary Campbell	1
Two Friends	1
Rev. J. K. McClurkin, D. D.	3
North Bend Congregation	1
Mr. G. M. Paden	1
Mr. and Mrs. Taylor & Miss Jane Denham	1
Traer Congregation	1
Miss Anne Wilson	1
Young Women's Missionary Societies	6

Pledge Paid for Part Salaries.

Conemaugh Presbyterial.
Detroit Presbyterial.
Johnston Family.
Montrose, Colorado.
Miss Nina J. Murray.
Oklahoma Presbyterial.
Philathea Bible Class, Parnassus, and Mrs. T. D. Mellon.
Steubenville Presbyterial.
Texas Presbyterial.

The printing of annual reports from our three fields in the July Magazine, 1916, met with such general approval that it was decided to repeat the experiment this year, thereby sending the report to ten thousand readers, at much smaller cost to the Board, than is possible in any other way. We very deeply regret that we have no report of our school in Khartum North and only one report from our missionaries in Egypt, viz., the Tanta Girls' Boarding School.

We have given the reports almost verbatim as sent by districts rather than topics. All are intensely interesting and give a faint idea of the wonders wrought by His grace through your beloved missionaries. Here follows reports from the fields:

INDIA

Our Missions in India Under the Care of the Women's General Missionary Society. The Story as Told by Our Missionaries.

CAMPBELLPUR.

The Misses J. L. White and L. S. Brotherston.

There is not much to report on last year's work in Campbellpur, there have been no workers here, except when visited by the missionaries of Rawalpindi, which was about once a year during camping season.

Campbellpur is about fifty-one miles northwest of Rawalpindi, and not far from the Frontier. It is the headquarters of Attock District. Its population is between four and five thousand.

No bungalow being available we took a small native house in the Civil Bazar, and on December 15, 1916, we arrived and commenced the work of making the house livable. We have everything but a bedroom, and we use the verandah at the back of the courtyard for sleeping. Our courtyard is about 19 ft. by 20 ft., sitting room 12 ft. by 12 ft., and dining room 12 ft. by 17 ft. There are supposed to be two fire-places, but the one in the kitchen has no chimney, and the one in the sitting room smokes very badly.

We live in seclusion, but not from choice. There is no glass in the windows. The windows are like small doors. We have been trying to get the Manager of the Estate to which the house belongs, to put glass in the windows, and make a few necessary changes, but so far have not heard from him. We hope, however, to get this done sometime.

We feel quite encouraged as to the work. There are some families here from Rawalpindi, friends of Miss White, and a number of others have been friendly, calling us to their houses.

GUJRANWALA DISTRICT.

Lois M. Buchanan.

In the beginning of the year Miss Margaret Fehlman was with us two months.

This autumn Miss Hazel Bennett was located in the field, where she served when in India before her furlough.

The work for the Christian women in the District has been effected during the last few months in the new plans for the camping work. It has been upon the heart of some for several years that we should, at least in part, make the camping season not just a hurried inspection tour over all the District, but a more direct evangelistic effort definitely leading to more established work. It was laid upon us that we should work on that plan in Gujranwala for this season. And we are camping in the center of one circle for a month, reaching out on all sides through the use of [illegible]

Mercer's Ford which is indeed a great help.

Only one month was completed before Christmas time, and we can not pass judgment on the success of the plan as a whole; but we have great reason to praise for the advance which has been made in this one circle and we have encouragement to look forward to greater things in the coming months.

Never before has this large circle of twenty-five villages been so interested nor have the people been so eager to learn.

The teaching was done by four of the Bible workers who came in from their own circles to help in this special campaign. Each was assigned certain villages in which to teach the course of six lessons. These helpers are able to get into very close touch with the needs and condition of the people of each village.

The six lessons bringing in a great deal of the essential knowledge of Christ's life and the way of salvation gives a definite line of teaching for all the people, men, women and children, and the rivalry which comes between the men and women often proves a means of better learning.

Eminabad, quite a large old city, where our camp was located has a big Christian community. For years these people have been a problem and work among them has brought many discouragements.

It has been a joy to see a real awakening in the interest this year. The night of the examination would have been interesting to you in America even though you could not have understood a word used. The women were questioned in turn with the men and so intense was their interest that usually they forgot and answered out of turn. As they gave the answers concerning sin and its coming into the world, Christ the Saviour of the world, the life, death, resurrection and second coming of Christ we rejoiced as we looked into the eager faces to know that some of these poor ignorant souls had a better conception of the life everlasting than before.

This year the Bible School for the District Workers was united with the general summer session of the Theological Seminary, planned by the Evangelistic Board for the Bible Workers of all the mission, during July. There was an added interest because of the outside attendance and all agreed that it was a great privilege for our workers and their wives.

Miss M. A. Lawrence was the efficient teacher of the large class of women who do not read. It was indeed an interesting sight when the women, many of them with babies in their arms, gathered about the chair of their teacher and great was their concern when the examination day drew near, for each did want so to pass. It meant so much to these dear women with their little advantage in learning as to a university student to pass her examination credibly. Those who are able to use their Bibles were intensely interested in their daily class which it was my privilege to teach. Miss Cleland was also with us the latter part of the month and was a great help in the school. It was a happy sight when the results were given out for every woman but one was the recipient of a certificate.

There is Darweski! An unimportant little village away out, a dozen miles from Gujranwala. The missionaries had visited the place but there had seemingly been no response and no one seemed to care. Early in the year a very earnest invitation had come to visit their homes and to bring the camp to the vil-

lage. It was arranged and we went wondering what would be found. The story we heard was this: The head man of the community had heard of the Christian religion in visiting relatives. He was a thoughtful man and began a careful investigation of the teachings and results of Christianity as he went about. And in his decision he lost no time in announcing to his people that they were all to become Christians. They had called the worker in that circle and had proved eager learners. The result of this endeavor on their own part was that we found a community much farther advanced than many of our villages where the people have been Christians for many years.

They were baptized and celebrated the event by joining together and giving a "church dinner" at which our camp members were the honored guests. We have others, too, of this type of village. And then there are the individual lives which give us reason to praise.

We have a woman treasurer of one of our village churches! Which to America, with her capable trained women, seems not at all out of place, but to Indian village work, this is a new feature.

And then we have our "Carrie Nation." She has earned the name and we have enjoyed watching her develop, as her managing ability has been turned to work for her Saviour. She was so eager for some of her neighbors to answer well the questions for baptism that she kept prompting during the service. Several times Padri Jwian Mal asked her to be quiet and finally said in rather a determined way, "You must not answer for the others, my sister." Up she jumped with a quizical little smile, "Well, I'll just go away for you know I just can't keep quiet!"

To God be all the praise!

GUJRANWALA DISTRICT.

Hazel Bennett.

After an absence of three and one-half years from India and only one month's work on the field in 1916, I do not feel qualified to make much of a report. The joy of returning to India is like unto the "joy of harvest." The need in these villages appeals more strongly than ever before, but praise God "His grace is sufficient." He is able.

There has been much real growth and progress since I was in this district before. This year we aim to have each Christian in the circles of villages where we camp learn six lessons from the Bible and be able to answer a set of questions on each one. This has proven very helpful to our people. We are delighted with the way the women are learning. Truly "The entrance of Thy word giveth light." One can see this in the faces of the people.

At the close of each camp all the people of the circle of villages come to the central village for a big meeting. Dinner is served by the people themselves in the village. This has been greatly blessed to our people. The special object of this meeting is to show the Christians their part in bearing witness to what Christ is to us and to encourage prayer.

GUJRANWALA CITY ZENANA REPORT.

Rose A. McCullough.

One hundred and sixty houses were visited, 2452 visits were made to Zenanas, 87 women and girls had regular instruction during the year some had secular instruction in English, Urdu and Gurmukhi, but all were taught the Bible.

Six women and one girl died during the year. Four of these had read the

Gospel and all had a knowledge of salvation through Christ. One bigoted house was closed because of the Bible teaching.

There has been some opposition to the Gospel teaching, but God's work was not hindered. The sick were visited and when possible God's word read to them and prayer offered—in some cases at their own request. By sympathizing with those in trouble and sometimes by giving them needed help when ill, people have been won to listen gladly to the Gospel.

I visited one of the bigoted houses with Mrs. Murray. She had refused to hear the Gospel and Mrs. Murray began to talk to her about love and the woman seemed very much interested. Then I said let me read something about love and began to read the 13th chapter of first Cor. from my Gurmukhi Testament. Why that is good, she said, when I had read a few verses. Two of her sons, lads of twelve and fourteen years, were present. They said, mother can read Gurmukhi, give her the book and let her read, so I gave it to her and she read the whole chapter and expressed her approval of it. Then I told her what book it was and that she had been reading God's teaching about love.

Another Hindu woman, the wife of a wealthy business man was very glad to meet us socially, but would not either hear or read the Bible. Hearing that she was very ill and would not probably recover, I went to see her. She and her husband seemed to appreciate our going very much and asked me to pray for her recovery, which I did. I heard she was better and did not go to see her again for some weeks. She came out to meet us looking so well it was hard to believe it was the same woman. We had left our books in the buggy and she sent her little son out to get them and had us read from the Testament and also sing some Bhajan Psalms. There were two of her Hindu friends visiting her from the city; they listened well also.

The wife of a Dept called Mrs. Thakr Dass to teach her daughter fancy work and English writing. When she went she asked her if she would hear or read the Gospel. Depty Sahib himself was writing in an adjoining room but heard the question and answered by saying, "I do not want you to read or teach the Gospel in my house." She said that is my special work, and if I teach your daughter fancy work, etc., I must have the privilege of teaching her the Bible. Then she asked him what things he objected to in the New Testament. He replied, "My wife and daughter have read the New Testament." But she answered, if they would not eat for two days, they would become weak physically, so if we do not read God's word daily we become weak spiritually. "True," he replied, "but in the Gospel it is written that Jesus is the Son of God, and the reading and hearing of that we think is blasphemy." She then read to him Isa. 9:6 and Psalm 2nd and also John 1:14 and Luke 1:36 and Matt. 3:17 and John 3:16. He then asked her forgiveness and gave her permission to visit his house and read the Bible and teach it.

Many women love the Lord Jesus in their hearts and say, "If my husband will accept Christ I will with pleasure become a Christian for the teaching of the New Testament is all good and right."

I kept up a weekly prayer meeting in Dogran Resto in the suburbs of Gujranwala, the greater part of the year. Mrs. Bhaytoo Mall works there and also in Haunsa Basti which is also in the sub-

urbs, dividing her time between them. Twelve women passed an examination in Dogran. Each reciting four Bible stories, some Psalms, Bible verses, Lord's Prayer, ten Commandments, and Creed, and some Catechism—three chapters. In Haunsa Basti, eight women passed the same.

Alice Bashir Din works in Kokhuki Basti teaching the baptized women there. Eight women passed an examination there; each reciting four Bible stories, some Psalms, five chapters of the Catechism, ten Commandments, Creed and Lord's Prayer and some Bible verses.

I have also visited Chicherwailli Bey and Arbang, the former one mile from the city and the other three miles, going as often as I could.

I also have two Christian schools under my care. One in Kokhuki and one in Haunsa Basti. The children in Haunsa school attend the Sabbath School in the city and some of them give collection. Only a very few of the Kokhuki school children are from the Basti. The others except the three Mohammedan children attending attend Sabbath School.

GURDASPUR HOME FOR WOMEN.

Emma Dean Anderson.

For years the lady missionaries of all the principal missions of the Punjab have felt the need for a Home for women who needed protection, and training for work.

At the Annual Mission Meeting, three years ago, I was authorized by the Mission to raise the sum of ten thousand dollars for this purpose. In a wonderful way I was brought in contact with Mrs. Elizabeth Temple, of Paxton, Ill., whose heart God touched in behalf of the needy women and children of the Punjab, and she promised to give the sum of money I had been instructed to solicit.

This good news brought great joy to many hearts in India, and at once the Mission began to make arrangements for the establishment of the Home. Gurdaspur was chosen as the place, and the writer appointed Superintendent.

On my return to the Mission, March 3rd, I found an application from another mission awaiting me, requesting me to rescue a young woman who needed a home very much. In a few days another application came from one of our own missionaries to take a young woman who was in great danger and who needed a place of protection.

After consulting with the missionaries of my own station, and several members of the committee appointed by the Mission for this work arrangements were made to open the Home. Limited quarters were found in a building just beside the Ladies' Bungalow here in Gurdaspur. This building had been erected for Bible women, but as just now, the Bible woman employed in Gurdaspur City was living elsewhere it was available for a short time. The Committee decided that not more than twelve women could be accommodated at one time.

On April first the work began, by receiving two women and a baby into the Home, but there was not a penny in hand for their support. The Superintendent believed that He Who had sent these needy ones to her could and would also provide for their wants, and the matter was taken to God in prayer. Before the day was gone enough money had been received to support these two months. Since that time, although there have been times when there was not one rupee in hand to begin the day with, our needs have been supplied and we close the year with a credit balance.

In April the committee of five members met in Gurdaspur, and the Board

for the Gurdaspur Home for Women was constituted according to the constitution of the Mission.

Rules and regulations governing the Home were framed, plans for the building prepared, and possible sites for location looked over.

At the June Mission Meeting, the work of the Board was sanctioned by the Mission, and plans and estimates for the new building submitted to the Women's Board. These have been returned, approved, by them, and now as soon as we hold the deed for the land, we shall be ready to begin work.

The Superintendent of the Home requested the Mission and Women's Board to place this work on the same footing as similar institutions in the Home-land, and permit it to be supported by the free will offerings of God's people in this, and other lands. This has been granted, and while there are regular rates arranged by the Board for those patrons who wish to support the persons they send to the Home, yet no one shall be refused admittance to the Home, if the rules guarding the Home have been complied with.

Twenty women and twelve children have been received during the past nine months. Others were refused on account of lack of accommodation in our limited quarters.

Four women and three children were baptized. We have had High Caste Hindus, Mohammedans, Low Caste, and Christians.

A day school in connection has been conducted since the opening of the institution. All of the women have been under training and several have learned to read. Several of the women are being trained for Bible women. One has entered the Memorial Hospital at Sialkot to learn nursing.

The principal object of the Gurdaspur Home for Women is to give widows and deserted wives, new converts and inquirers, a safe home, and an opportunity to prepare themselves for working in some part of the Master's vineyard and to bring all into a fuller life in Christ.

The health of the women and children has been excellent, and although the work has been carried on under the most unfavorable circumstances, it has been most encouraging to note how much the women have improved.

We hope that very, very soon we may have our own new building, and will be able to care for all who come.

The Superintendent of this new work has had experience in all departments of the work of the Mission for women and children, yet she can truly say this has been the most strenuous and difficult that she has been privileged to do for the Master, and if she did not believe that she has been especially called to open this work and that God had set His seal upon it already, by using it to win souls for Himself, and had lead us step by step, her courage would fail.

May He Who cares for the widows and fatherless and bows His ear to hear the cry of the down-trodden and oppressed, lead many of His children into this and other lands to have a share in this work, through intercession and free will offerings.

ZENANA WORK.

Mary E. Logan.

Zenana work in Jhelum City has been carried on regularly throughout the year. The two Bible women have been with us some time, and are known and loved and with very few exceptions, graciously received wherever they go.

Some thirty women are reading the Bible; about fifty others receive instruction and a greater number occasional

visits. A dear old Mohammedan woman who could not read but was always an earnest listener, died. Almost her last words were a farewell to her teacher and an assurance of faith and trust in the Lord Jesus.

Another woman was seriously ill and requested that prayer be offered for her in the church, because she said, God hears the prayers that are made there.

At another house when the Bible woman went for her weekly visit, she found her pupil ill with a light attack of fever. She apologized for coming and said she would come another day. The woman insisted on getting up out of bed to read her chapter because she said it brought her such comfort.

During the year some 2080 visits were made in Hindu and Mohammedan homes.

NON-CHRISTIAN WOMEN IN VILLAGES OF JHELUM DISTRICT.

Mary E. Logan.

We have visited 92 villages in this year's itinerating season. Our audiences varied in numbers from two or three to twenty or thirty, thus numbering in all at least 2400 women and girls. To be sure these numbers appear small when we remember that it is only one village in every six and one woman in every one hundred and twenty-six of our district.

In one village the women refused to listen to us and with one accord all left us. With the exception of this one we had some hearers in every village. Much of the former bitter opposition and prejudice is disappearing. We found many who received us as old friends. Hospitality often was shown by giving us milk to drink or parched grains to eat. By some a sincere desire for the truth was manifest and such questions as "How can we believe on Christ?" "What should we do to follow Him?" "When will He come again?" were asked. Wherever we found those who could read we endeavored to sell a Gospel portion.

In nearly every village, we found anxious hearts for loved ones at the war and thus a bond of sympathy was made between them and us. In a Rajah's house, where the women are securely walled in from the outside world, in one of the rooms we found eleven women sitting in a circle on the floor each having an open Koran in front of her and reading aloud as rapidly as possible a certain chapter. This they were to read seventy-one times every day after which a prayer was offered for those at the war and especially for the Rajah's nephew that he might soon return home. This district stands first in all India in the matter of recruiting for the war. News is coming now of those who have been killed and of some who are missing. Some have returned wounded and disabled bringing news too harrowing to relate.

In a large village, near Chakwal, while speaking to a crowd of Hindu women one among them told us she had lived for a time in Benares where she had heard about Christ from some Christians. She said, "I believe that Christ is the only Saviour and that the teachings of the Hindu religion are false. I tell the other women but they won't believe me."

In another village we noticed among the group of women one with an enlightened expression on her face. On questioning her we were told that she had lived in Burmah for a time and had there heard about Christ. "Yes," she said, "I believe the teachings about Christ are true." She was able to read and bought a small book of Gospel Hymns from us.

It is through such as these we can see glimpses of a better day coming to Jhelum District.

JHELUM CITY GIRLS' SCHOOL.

Ella M. Gordon.

The enrollment for the year is 79 and the average attendance is 34. With the exception of a few Hindu and three Christian girls, all the girls are Mohammedan.

For the last three years the girls who have passed the fifth class have been desirous to read on in the Middle Department. Not being able to open this department yet we are sorry to lose these girls from our school.

We have two Christian teachers and one Hindu pupil teacher. The Hindu teacher is a young woman who has been in the school for several years. At heart she is a believer in Christ and we pray that she may be able, some day, to confess Him openly.

In the yearly Bible examination most of the girls did very well.

For an hour on Saturdays the school is taught the Sabbath School lesson. Several times some of the girls have brought a small collection. A special collection was given for the Beligan Children's Relief Fund which with their other collections amounted to Rs. 71.

GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL JHELUM, MISSION HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN IN SARGODHA, MISSION HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN IN BHERA, KALA DISPENSARY FOR WOMEN.

Dr. J. P. Simpson.

I wonder if you ever heard of a doctor being in charge of a hospital and responsible for all the operations, accounts, and repairs, etc., and living at a distance of eighty or a hundred miles from the hospital, but such is the anomalous position in which I have been for the past two years, for beside the Good Samaritan Hospital in Jhelum which I have had charge of ever since I came to India fourteen years ago, I have been made responsible for the Bhera Hospital eighty-four miles from Jhelum and the Sargodha Hospital one hundred and thirteen miles away.

In Bhera and Jhelum we have faithful, hard-working and capable assistants, who have been with us eight or ten years, and in Bhera, Miss Aldridge is a veritable saint, and I do not need to go there very often except to occasionally see things and act as a little diversion to the three workers there, who must lead very lonely lives in a city of 20,000 non-Christians and only one other Christian family besides themselves and no Europeans but Miss Aldridge.

But this year the main trouble has been with Sargodha. We have been trying to find a sub assistant surgeon for the work there for over a year; we have advertised in two religious and one secular newspaper that reaches most of the people in this part of India and have written to the W. C. M. Cap Ladmina and to the co-educational medical school in Agra for one. The answer comes back "none available," and so the past year the work has been carried on in Sargodha Hospital by a graduate compounder, and I have spent two months there myself besides the monthly visit which is anything but a pleasant journey of a hundred and thirteen miles in the summer heat. The compounder was a very hard worker and was very successful in increasing the number of in-patients and dispensary patients during the eleven months there, but unfortunately she had a quick temper and quarrelled with the compounder whom she wished me to send to her assistance from our Jhelum Hospital where she had been trained and worked for seven or eight years. In order to prevent further trouble the Jhelum compounder was sent away for four months. Efforts were made to

another helper to the accompaniment of daily or weekly notes from the assistant that she must have a helper in place of the compounder she had quarrelled with, that there never was another place so hot as Sargodha, so uncomfortable in every way, such troublesome Christians who had threatened to report her to the missionaries, and that she just possibly couldn't stay there any longer, so in the end she left and Sargodha Hospital was closed down on September 23rd with sixteen in-patients to be turned out, most of them operation cases, and the average daily attendance in the dispensary of about fifty. But we hope some doctor or some sub assistant surgeon or even some experienced compounder will yet turn up to carry on the work there.

This year there were two hundred and twenty-four in-patients in Sargodha, and some of them were very ill indeed and the assistant said she was often so worried when they arrived almost at the point of death she thought, and then to see them go away well in a few weeks was a marvel.

Two motherless babies were offered to us in Sargodha, one Mohammedan and one Hindu. The former died, but the latter is flourishing under the care of the assistant who adopted it and gives it every care.

The government has given the hospital an annual grant of Rupees, two hundred for the first time this year and we have reason to be thankful for a Christian Secretary of the Municipal Committee in Sargodha who is interested in the welfare of the hospital.

In Bhera there have been 109 in-patients and 8102 new dispensary patients the past year and a total attendance of 26,710 dispensary patients. The Municipal Committee there are considering giving a sum of money for a memorial to the late Miss Morgan who worked there so faithfully for over a score of years and we wish this memorial to take the form of an operating room which is needed there.

In Jhelum there have been 437 in-patients, 9113 new patients and a total attendance of 29,667 this year.

For about five months the sixteen year old daughter of a well-to-do Hindu deputy worked daily in the hospital. A cousin was in the hospital for the removal of a large ovarian cyst, and made a speedy recovery to the delight of the deputy, who frequently came with his wife to see her and he said he would be delighted if his daughter could take the training and receive a nurses' certificate and she seemed to really enjoy the work, too. A high caste Mohammedan woman said to her, "Why do you do all these menial services for patients when you do not need to work?" The girl replied, "If it doesn't hurt the Dr. Miss Sahiba and the other workers it won't hurt me either." At another time she was absent for a day and when inquiry was made as to the reason we learned that her father had been at a feast where there were dancing women and one said to him, "You are getting a bad name all through the city for allowing your daughter to work at the mission hospital, and these Christians are getting a good name through it, what do you let her go there for, don't you know they'll make a Christian of her, she says she will be one when she gets through the course." And so he went home and forbid her coming to us, but she wept all day because she could not come and Mrs. Rasal Hari, my sub assistant surgeon, went to the mother and said, "How foolish of you to listen to what that dancing woman said and stand in the way of your daughter's learning." And so the next

day she returned and was with us until her father was transferred.

Three of our nurses passed the government examination for mid-wives this year and received their certificates, and two passed their second year examination under the United Board of Examiners for mission nurses, with the exception of one subject; three passed in all first year subjects and two passed in all the first year subjects, but one.

One of our Indian nurses was asked for by the Deputy Commissioner to nurse their English nurse after she had an accident and was there over a month and apparently gave satisfaction, and another nursed the Station Master's wife for several weeks at her home.

Every day, morning and evening, the Gospel is read and explained to the indoor patients, and all morning to the dispensary patients as they come and go, and we think of the words of the Master, "The Kingdom of God cometh not by observation."

In Kala Dispensary there have been 1983 new patients treated and a total attendance of 3392. Two of the Good Samaritan Hospital workers go out to Kala twice a week. A Bible woman lives at the dispensary whose husband comes to teach in the Boys' School twice each day on his bicycle.

ZENANA MISSIONARY SOCIETY AT JHELUM, 1916.

Bazal L. Hart.

Meetings of the Society have been held in the first week of each month on Saturday and sometimes on Friday. There are 23 members on roll, but the average attendance is 11 or 12. A list of topics and leaders is made out in the beginning of the year and followed as closely as possible so that all the members have a part in it. The annual Thank-Offering amounts to nearly R. 50.

WORK AMONG THE NON-CHRISTIAN WOMEN, KHANGAH DOGRAN.

Jane E. Martin

Of the non-Christians that we meet, the Mohammedans, as a rule, display more interest and hunger for conversation about things spiritual than do the Hindus. The latter are rather indifferent and very independent. Oftentimes they do not as much as rise from a sitting position to offer us a seat, submitting passively while we read and talk to them, and immediately turning the conversation upon worldly things.

In one village we had been talking to a crowd of Mohammedan women, some of whom listened very well, and were leaving to visit the Hindu quarters, when a woman asked us to please come and see a friend of her's who had called for us. We found her to be a Mohammedan faqirni and a very intelligent woman. She was well instructed in her own religion and the general air of thrift and cleanliness pervading the place showed her to be a woman of more than ordinary ideals. She said, "I hear that you are Christians and follow the Christian religion. Now, I want you to tell me all about it, just what you believe, for I want to understand it." Then, as the way of life was explained to her, she listened so attentively and asked more intelligent and unbiased questions than I have ever heard a woman under the same conditions ask.

May we not have faith to believe that the seed was sown on fruitful soil and is being tended by the Holy Spirit, even though we may never pass that way again.

Girls' Schools, Khangah Dogran District.

The Khangah Dogran Girls' School reports about the same enrollment as last year, but according to the report of the inspectress the quality of work done

is very inferior. This is due to the presence of a poor teacher whose place, as yet, we have been unable to fill.

The progress made in the Martinpur School is very encouraging. The enrollment, which at the beginning of the year was 34, now numbers 56. Besides this, 14 attend regularly and will be enrolled as soon as they are of school age. Heretofore, the school has been of the indigenous standard, but this year the classes have been strengthened with a view to raising it to the Primary Standard after the spring examinations. A third teacher has been added to the staff. The two rooms which were built last year are more than full and we are wishing that we had the completed building of four rooms. The parents are beginning to take an interest in the school and sometimes even come with the girls to make sure that they do not play truant. This interest has shown itself since the opening of the new building of which they are all very proud. At the formal opening in the spring, the Chief Inspectress of Schools for the Punjab, Miss Stratford, was present and expressed herself as very well pleased with all that she saw.

Work Among Village Christian Women, Khangah Dogran.

Our work among village Christian women this fall and winter has been, on the whole, a bit disappointing. Many of the teachers have not been faithful in teaching the course of study for the year, and in some places, the women have not only learned nothing during the year, but seem to have gone back. One woman said, "There is no use in lying, Miss Sahiba, we quarrel and fight worse than we ever did."

However, in a few circles, the women have been learning. A prize was offered to those who are able to recite twenty-five Bible stories from the course. Also, a second prize is offered to those who are able to recite ten stories. We are glad to say that we shall soon be giving out quite a number of the smaller and some of the larger prizes.

Bholi, a Christian woman in our district, is a tower of strength to us. She is a very earnest Christian and her prayers with us lead us into the very presence of God. Her testimony is that she can have no peace of mind until she spends a great deal of time in communion with God. Then she has great joy and peace. She is not afraid to rebuke the Hindu and Mohammedan women of her village and they respect her and testify to the reality of her religion. Though illiterate, she always learns the Bible stories in the course and helps the other women to learn. She is a tither and told us that she had devoted a portion of her field to the Lord and that the grain from that would be used for Him. She says the Lord's wheat is greener and growing better than any other. She has been very ill for three months with fever. Will you not join us in prayer for her that her life may be spared, and that she may be used many years as a light to reflect the glory of God in these dark regions.

Women's Missionary Societies, Khangah Dogran.

We have two Women's Missionary Societies in our district, one at Martinpur and one in Khangah Dogran. The Martinpur Society reported a flourishing condition during at least a part of the year and a good interest among the women. They have done some practical service this year by making thirty-one garments for the Hospitals in Jhelum and Sialkot. Martinpur also reports that a Young Women's Society has been or-

ganized this year—the first Y. W. M. S. we have ever had.

The Khangah Dogran Society meets once a week. They are doing more this year than ever before without the help of the Foreign Missionary. They take, as their lesson, one of the Bible stories in the course for Christians and each members takes her turn in leading. The leader first tells the story and gives any lessons from it which she is able to give, then each one in turn is called on to repeat the story, with criticisms from the rest. They are far harder on one another than we are on them and no one is ever excused from a turn in leading or repeating the story, no matter how ignorant she may be. It may seem a rather strange way of conducting a missionary meeting but it makes it really their own meeting and has succeeded in stirring such an interest as they never had before.

Zenana Work, Khangah Dogran.

We now have two Bible women at work in our district. The one at Khangah Dogran reports that this has been the very best of the five years she has been in the work. The women of the city have grown to love her very dearly and when, for some reason she is prevented from going to them at the usual time, they send for her.

There has also been a very apparent change in the attitude of the Mohammedan women toward the Bible and its teachings. They are very rich and proud and boasted that their high position and wealth would insure their future happiness. Now they love to learn Psalms and Bible stories. There have been eight Hindu and Mohammedan women this year who have read for themselves in Urdu the Gospels of John and Luke. They acknowledged that they have need of one Who can save them from their sins. They are also convinced that, since Mohammed is dead, he can do nothing for them but that the living Christ is able to save. Among the Hindu women, there are some who are able to read Gurmukhi and the Bible woman writes, "I have placed Gurmukhi gospels in their hands that they may know Jesus Christ, the Son of God, but, as yet, they are unwilling to believe that He is the Son of God." Let us thank God with her for the eight women who have accepted Christ as their personal Savior. Through fear, they have not made public their faith, but, for the present, are learning all they can about His life.

Our other Bible woman began Zenana work in Sheikupura six months ago. She had had a little school for girls, but, since the Government started a girls' school, we thought it wise to discontinue our school and have her visit the homes of the women in the city and give them Bible instruction. Through the girls of her school, she had made some acquaintance in the city. By visiting these homes, she has met other women and her circle is growing wider. She speaks of the women being bound down by the customs and superstitious practices of the Hindu and Mohammedan religions. While they do not, themselves, obey the precepts their own religions have, they are very bigoted and unwilling to change. As yet, most of the women abhor all Christians, but, gradually, they are allowing the Bible woman to come into their homes and tell them of our religion. The confidence and love of the women is increasing and one young woman, who learned to read with our Bible woman, has completed the gospel of John and is reading Matthew. Being from one of the wealthy, high-class homes, she was very proud and, at

first could not conceal her aversion for our Bible women. But now, she claims her as a very dear friend and professes her faith in Christ as her Savior. She fears to make public confession, saying that her people would cut her throat if she were baptized. Another woman, who has led an evil life, has been led to the light and now desires baptism. Praise God for these two and let us remember them in our prayers.

WORK AMONG THE CHRISTIAN WOMEN IN LYALLPUR DISTRICT.

Lillian A. McConnell.

A year ago when writing the report of our work among the women in Lyallpur district, I expected Miss Spencer to make the next report, but the Master had other plans and again she was called away before the year closed. This time not to help in another of our mission district, but the Master summoned her suddenly on September 4th into His presence. She was ready for the higher service because of years' of ready acquiesence to His will in all her plans. With glorified vision, she now sees how many of our Christian women whom we thought so indifferent and ignorant are His chosen ones to be to "The praise of the glory of His grace."

Miss Spencer and I itinerated during the first months of the year, and during the summer months, drove to many of the villages near Lyallpur. Miss Cleland worked in our district in November and December. Notwithstanding our efforts teachings and prayers, ignorant, sin-oppressed, toil-burdened still describes many of our Christian sisters. The ten Bible lessons on the sufferings, death, resurrection and ascension of Christ assigned were not memorized by as many as we had hoped but the knowledge of Christ's ministry for His people is increasing. Spiritual life is deeper than we sometimes have reason to believe. More than once when request for short prayers met with no response and the women insisted they could not pray, several questions showed that they pray daily.

Higher prices, the result of the great war, have increased poverty and many of our people have gone elsewhere in hope of a better living. We held a Thank-Offering service in many of our communities but the offerings were less than in some past years.

Many of them do have little leisure from toil except during the extreme heat of the day, in the summer. Now as always Satan is employing every art to keep the truth from reaching souls that are bound or if it reaches them, from waking them into life and liberty or if they are freed, from walking in the light. Yet "God is working His purpose out as year succeeds each year" and some day, not some, but all of our Punjabi sisters will have hope in Christ.

Work Among Non-Christian Women in Lyallpur District.

Only once during the year have we failed to get a hearing in a Hindu or Mohammedan village. Every year the opposition to gosepl teaching is less and the sale of gospels larger. Twice the head man has called all the women of the village to his house to hear God's message. It was our privilege to tell the gospel story in two places in a village from which we were driven out a few years ago. There is little decrease though in the indifference to spiritual things; many listen but trust in the hope of their fathers. We have found here and there hungry hearts and sometimes seen tears flow as the sinner's need and Christ's salvation have been presented but there is little proof that these who drink in the message and say it is true

have accepted Christ and in the midst of the power of sin and spiritual darkness about, have remained steadfast in their confidence. We hope and pray to know in the afterwhile that there are saved. "Brands plucked from the burning."

WORK AMONG CHRISTIAN WOMEN, PASRUR NORTH.

Mary Kyle.

As 1916 closed we were constrained to admit that there still remained very much land to be possessed.

The year brought encouragements. In one center the pastor had received new light and it was reflected in his people. He has thirty-two villages in his care and in nearly all of these he had taught the women three or four Bible stories. It was a pleasure to see the pastor among the people and in his home. When we were about to leave his circle he told us how much we had changed for the better and what good work had been done in his villages while we were there. He did not realize that he was seeing things in a different light himself.

In another center the teacher has been doing good work. His people were so enthusiastic over telling the stories that there was some confusion in the meeting. The women and the men told the stories by turn. If one made a mistake each one in the crowd wanted to be the first to correct it.

Learning God's word has been the means of great blessing to all who have been willing to take the time and give attention when the teacher came. Many who are called Christians cling to their old idolatrous customs.

Last summer the Christians in Pasrur City were divided into five groups. One group was in charge of the Bible woman, and a young wrestler, a splendid Christian man. The other groups were taught by the missionaries, pastor and the teachers from the school. The meetings were held on Tuesday and Friday evenings. Women, who had not known prayer, learned the joy of offering the sacrifice of prayer and praise. The memory of those evenings on the roof lingers with the women and they are looking forward to the meetings next summer.

SOUTH PASRUR.

Misses Cowden and Jongewaard.

We are finding the Christian community beginning to take an interest in learning Bible stories this year. We have set them a course of twelve stories from the New Testament. The women in many places are getting used to it that that they are expected to learn too and are taking hold of it. Pray that the "Word may indeed be a lamp unto their feet and a light unto their path." We are overcome when we think of the numbers to be taught and the fewness of the teachers. May the Lord Who blessed the loaves and fishes grant His blessing on the means at hand, and thrust out more laborers into His vineyard.

The non-Christians are more or less apathetic in our district this year. We find them ready enough to assent to all we say. They even admit that Jesus is the Son of God and seem to believe it, yet so do "the devils believe and tremble." What we want to see is a soul-hunger that will not be satisfied with anything less than the bread of life Himself in actual daily communion.

Girls' Boarding School, Pasrur.

In looking back over the past year we can truly say, "Count your blessings, name them one by one, and it will surprise you what the Lord hath done." The spirit of unity and good will among the teachers had deepened in a very noticeable way. With the exception of

Oriental Sores and some malaria the health of the teachers and girls has been good. A few years ago tuberculosis was gaining ground very rapidly in this school, but through the unceasing efforts and hard work of the former Superintendent it has been practically stamped out. Only one girl was thus affected this year, but after many weeks of special care and feeding she was able to resume her studies. The summer rains were abundant so our wells kept us supplied. Funds were secured for a solid brick wall around the play ground and it is nearing completion. It will be a great improvement and comfort for the cactus hedge had died out till the playground was only an open field, which is far from desirable for large girls. Both the Government and Bible examinations gave good results. Twelve of the fourteen girls of the fifth class passed and went on to the Middle School in Sialkot. Five of them won Government scholarships. Six of our little orphan boys had come to the age limit for this school so were sent to the Christian Training Institute, Sialkot. Scholarships were given to nine of the twelve girls who passed into the fourth class. During the year one of our teachers and two orphans were married. We have added three trained teachers to our staff and they are taking hold of the work very nicely.

One of the greatest joys of the year was in being able financially to increase the number of boarders. Two years ago because of lack of funds the number was reduced, and until recently we had kept below 110. When the word was given to the three districts which supply the girls for this school that they could increase their numbers they were indeed glad and at once set to work. It seemed that rivalry sprang up among them to see which Ford could bring the most girls to Pasrur. The result was that in three weeks they had entered 23 new girls. Getting girls for school is becoming easier year by year for the people are seeing results and the benefits to be derived from it.

Several tiny tots were added to our already fair sized list, making 19 widows and small children that were cared for. We took in a baby boy of five weeks and he is getting along nicely. For the summer vacation of two months a new arrangement was made for the small orphans, and it was such a success that we hope to try it again. We asked the best families from among the pastors, teachers and evangelists of Pasrur districts to take one or more children for vacation. The response was so good that we did not have enough children for all the places. Several families took two children each and one took three. We furnished bedding and clothes and paid for their board. Thirteen children were thus permitted to get a taste of real home life again, and to enjoy freedom such as they can not have in the school. They came back very happy and in good condition. The people were also very much pleased with having had the children, so we feel sure that there will be no difficulty in finding vacation homes for them in the future.

The three Christian Endeavor Societies have kept up their meetings and interest. Out of their own spending money they have contributed $3, which has meant great liberality on their part. Twelve girls united with the Church this year. We have helped the pastor's wife with the Junior meetings at the Church. The attendance is good, varying from 40 to 60 and the children are very responsive. They are always delighted to get the pretty clean Sabbath School cards which are sometimes sent by children

from America. These cards are highly prized and often adorn the homes of the children.

ELLIOTT DISPENSARY, PATHANKOT.

E. W. Maconachie.

Our work for the year 1916 in the Elliott Dispensary increased in interest and totals over the former years. The number of new patients treated were 5,026 this with the return visits paid totalled 19,874. New patients from the outlying hills and villages continue to come, many of them hearing for the first time of the death and resurrection of Christ. We ask for your prayers on behalf of all such, also for those who have daily opportunities of hearing the Word of Life.

ZENANA WORK, RAWAL PINDI CITY.

Fannie C. Martin.

There have been 38 Mohammedan homes and 15 Hindu homes visited regularly in which the women have studied and prepared the lesson. There are some thirty other homes regularly visited where the women can not read and the Bible story is told to them in simple story form. Many of these women show a real interest and our weekly visit is the one bright hour for them! One woman left her home and went to Miss Anderson's home for women in Gurdaspur, she was there for several weeks, was baptized and then returned to her own people.

A blind woman became so interested in the Bible, and when she was told that it was possible for blind people to learn to read, she said, "I must learn to read for it is not possible for me to think that a woman who can see would be willing to sit and read the Bible to me," so in a few months time she was able to read the raised lettered Bible for herself.

The women have also taken pleasure in doing knitting and sewing for the soldiers at the front and during the year the women have contributed over $1000 in cash to the war fund.

I am often asked to address letters to husbands, brothers or sons who are at the front, as all these letters have to be addressed in English.

We are safe in saying that thousands in this city have heard the gospel message during the year.

We read that ancient Spanish coins bore a picture of Hercules at the Straits of Gibraltar and beneath, the motto, "Ne plus ultra." But when the great voyages had been made and the bigness of the world began to dawn upon the European mind, the motto was changed to read, "Plus ultra"—more beyond. It is this "more beyond" which is summoning us.

RAWAL PINDI DISTRICT.

Misses Mary A. Lawrence and Ethel Wilson.

Bible Women, Campbellpur, Bhawani Bai, died August, 1916; Rawal Pindi Cantonnements, Mrs. Eleazer.

The work in the villages of the district begins and ends the year while the visits to the zenanas of the Cantonnement section comprises the work of the hot season.

The Bible teacher who has been working in Campbellpur during the past few years died in August. She was an earnest Christian and had her desire fulfilled to spend her last days in the Lord's service. Because of her personal endeavors many of the best homes in this city are open to us and we received a warm welcome at this point on the camping route.

Now our prayers for a teacher to carry on the work among the women whom we meet in the summer, have been answered in the person of Mrs. Eleazer. This experienced worker came in November, so a few days were spent in showing her

some of the houses before we went out to camp.

As for the work in the villages there might be told almost as many tales as is their number. In some the women listen and argue, in others they are polite but untouched by the message. Often they will acknowledge it as truth but not for themselves.

"Everyone to his own faith" they say most liberally. But there are many hopeful signs also and Christ's name is slowly but surely becoming one of knowledge and not merely a name to be hated because of connection with the despised infidels.

To give an idea of the way we are received in one of the hardest sections—In the chhoch valley, home of the dreaded Pathan, the people are very suspicious that we have come to spoil their religion. We try every diplomatic persuasion that the brain can devise and yet sometimes are driven out without the message being fully given. Sometimes we ask, "Is not your religious faith firm that you are so fearful?" "Yes, but we will not listen. We are children of the prophet of God. Leave immediately!" It sounds much more emphatic in Punjabi!

Last February we came into an entirely new part of the district, new in the sense that the Pindi camp has never been able to visit it before. Jond is on the border of Kohat district in a sandy and fertile valley. In the city we were well received and found many Hindu and Sikh women both ready to hear and to purchase portions of the Word to read for themselves. They asked at first if we belonged to the oil company, as that is the only connection in which they had ever seen a white face.

Another cherished memory is of a village where the hearts of the people were opened because of their need. A soldier who had procured leave to come to his wife's death-bed, asked us to visit her. She was a very sick woman, could not swallow and exceedingly weak from lack of nourishment. But God used our simple remedies in a very wonderful way and truly one of Christ's miracles was wrought for the fever was broken that night. Then all the troubles and diseases of the village were disclosed for our fame went abroad. We were asked to visit one and then another, people called us from their houses and stopped us in the narrow streets and thronged our tent. It was wonderful how they acknowledged that the benefit was secured because Jesus answered our prayers. Several asked us to pray to Jesus that their loved ones might be healed. We said they must have faith also and one woman said she would pray. They said plainly that our coming had brought the much needed rain. We can only praise for the way in which all these homes are opened to us. "Whosoever receiveth you, receiveth Me."

GIRLS' SCHOOL, RAWAL PINDI CITY.

Fannie C. Martin.

Enrollment at December 31st, 1916, Mohammedans, 110; Hindus, 47; Christians, 9. Teachers, Christians, 6; Mohammedans, 1; Hindu, 1. Expenditures, $786.00. Receipts, Government Grant in Aid, $321.00; Fees, $36.00; From Mission, $430.00.

I have never known a year when such keen interest has been taken along all lines of work in our schools as during the past year. Any teacher knows how this lightens labor.

A girl was brought to our school a little more than a year ago, whose father said, "My daughter does not require religious teaching." But on finding this was one of the requirements of the school,

gave his consent. A few weeks ago in looking over her Bible examination paper, I found she had not answered a question in quite the way I had meant it, so did not give her the full number of marks, when the paper was returned she discovered what had happened and came to me, saying, "I am sure this answer is right, I know Jesus Christ did bring salvation into the world. I can show you where it is written." I then explained what I had meant by the question; she admitted it was all right, but said, "My answer it true, too." After talking with her on the subject and finding the place she had given Christ in her heart I felt like adding to the ten marks instead of taking from them. This is only an example of what we find in this work every day.

We have a fine staff of Christian teachers, so it is not only the Christian teaching but the Christian living that these girls have every day, and we see how it has broken down prejudice and into many hearts the longing for the Christian joy and happiness has come.

The girls mentioned in last year's report as baptized have been one of our great joys and blessings this whole year. They have constantly witnessed for Christ.

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, SANGLA HILL.

Miss Flora Jameson.

The largest number of girls in the school during the year was 139, and the number present at the close of the year was 118.

In June we had our Thank-Offering in the school which amounted to Rs. 17. Some were not able to give as much as they wished since they must save enough for the railway fare home. After their tickets had been bought, another opportunity was given and six rupees more were added, making their whole offering Rs. 23 or $7.66. This amount being from the girls alone. They are just as keen as ever in their offerings to the Church, Sabbath School, and Christian Endeavor. At Christmas time all the girls received gifts, but an opportunity was also given the girls when they might make a special offering to the Lord. Christmas morning each cottage brought its own gift, and these together with the teachers' gifts amounted to Rs. 11, of $3.66. This was sent to the widows and orphans in Belgium.

At the communion season in June five girls accepted Christ.

As the parents visit their children they continue to marvel at the goodness of the Lord in providing such a comfortable place for their children where they can secure an education. Many interesting things we hear as they are shown the buildings. One father, after having seen the school, returning to the office, said, "Miss Sahiba, I had never realized that the school could be so nice! I am so delighted that I desire that we kneel down in this office and thank the Lord for this school, and for this Mission, and for what it is doing for our people." Many times have these simple minded, ignorant people made like requests after a visit to their girls. Would that all the parents could realize what it would mean to their children were they allowed to learn to read! Progress is being made along this line and more and more girls are having an opportunity to enter school.

At the beginning of the year seven girls completed the Fifth Standard and went to Sialkot for the last three years' work. The Bible results were also good.

The present Government Grant is Rs. 81 per month, an increase of Rs. 20 over last year. The Inspectress is very much pleased with the plan, as well as with

the work of the school. She also made pleasing comments on the way the girls have shown ability in planning and executing conveniences for their own work.

SARGODHA. NON-CHRISTIAN.

Laura Cleland.

Just the day before we were to move from that camp an old Hindu woman came to the tent. When we found she could read we gave her a Gospel to read the story of Christ's life. Her reading was halting, so, growing impatient, she said, "You read it to me." Our reading was not rapid enough to keep up with her interest in the story, so she said, "Do you not remember it? Tell it to me. Do not wait to read it!" So while one of us talked and then another, she listened until as night fell and she had to go, she said, "I wish I had known sooner about these things you tell, then I could have come before and heard more."

The people in one village were the first to become Roman Catholics. One connection, though, held out for a long time, but at last they, too, went to the Catholics. They were not satisfied for long, however, and soon begged us to take them back. We spent several days in camp at their village. While gathering the women for a meeting one day I heard one objecting to come, and grumbled, "I wish I had stayed with the Roman Catholics, where I would not have had to go to meeting, or learn anything!" She did not come to our meeting again.

Three or four years ago Miss Anderson and I went one day to a village that had never been visited before. There was a large community of sweepers there who had never heard much about Christ but listened very eagerly and said they would like to be taught. There were 75 or 100 families of them. We had no worker to send and we never found opportunity to return until this year when we went back again. We found them cold and indifferent or else hard. While we were talking to the women we overheard one man say to another, "You better not let those women listen. They are being taught about Jesus Christ!" The opportunity to reach those people was lost, the door is closed!

We went to a village of non-Christians. Were met by the head man of the village, who, when he learned our purpose in coming, sent word to all the women of the village to come to his house and hear what we had to say. A large number of women, nearly all the women of the village, I think, came, and gave us very good attention. We talked by turns, but it seemed as if they would never weary. As we pictured the sufferings of Christ for them, tears started in the eyes and rolled down the cheeks of some, and one woman covered her face as if to shut out, if possible, the picture.

My year has been a varied one. Spent the first two and a half months in camp in Sargodha district, then did some village work in the summer, but a good deal of the time I spent at the Sargodha hospital, teaching the Christian women as well as the non-Christian, who came from far and near. Then the last two months I was in Lyallpur camp with Miss McConnell, in Miss Spencer's place, then just at the close of the year I was sent to Pathankot to take charge of the dispensary.

NON-CHRISTIAN EVANGELISTIC WORK, SARGODHA.

Misses R. A. Warnock, M. P. Strong.

We cannot complain of coldness or indifference to our message as we have gone from place to place during the past year. On the contrary, the year has been remarkable for the earnestness and interest with which the non-Christians have re-

ceived us and our message. In only one place have we met with open opposition, and that was in a Jungli village. The Junglis are the original inhabitants of this desert country, and as a rule are very proud and bigoted Mohammedans. Here a large crowd of women gathered around us, but we had no sooner begun than a man came and roughly ordered the women to get to work. He repeated this performance about every five minutes, and each time so roughly and loudly that the women could not hear us. Then seeing that there were still some women listening, the Mohammedan priest came up and told the women that if they listened to us they would not be allowed to enter the mosque. However, as I write there comes to my mind another Jungli village where we visited not long ago in which we were met by the lambardar (chief man) as we drove up and taken into his house; received by the women of his family with the greatest cordiality, asked to be seated and treated in the most hospitable manner. After offering us the best the house could afford including a rupee in token that the wealth of the house was at our disposal, and which we merely touched in token that we accepted the gift in the spirit in which it was offered, he asked us to speak to the women. In a few minutes we had an audience of forty-eight women who listened attentively while we presented as fully as we could the plan of salvation. At last we rose to go, and were accompanied to our buggy by the whole audience. We had gone only a short distance when someone came running after us asking us to wait. We did so and in a few minutes were surrounded by a crowd of about twenty women. The Lambardar said they had come from another part of the village, and had arrived too late to hear us, but wanted us to come again. We left promising to do so, and in a few days went back. We were received with even more cordiality than before, taken to another part of the village, and there had an audience of some sixty women. When in the course of our talk we said that Christ was living and all-powerful, one of the women turned to another and said, "Yes, Jesus is living, but our prophet is dead." At neither visit was one single objection made, although several women present had read the Koran.

At another village a Hindu woman came to our tent for medicine. We found that she could read, and that she had a copy of Luke's Gospel, and better still she repeated almost word for word the story of Christ's birth. Several times she came to our tent, and one day with tears in her eyes she told us that her husband had two wives, that she was the second, and he cared nothing for her. "Oh," she said, " do give me some book that will speak words of comfort to me." I gave her John's Gospel and she went away. When I saw her two or three days later, with the greatest change on her face she said, "That book contains very sweet and comforting words."

These are only two instances but many times our hearts have been gladdened by the reception given to our messages.

Christian Work.

A great part of our work of late has been among our organized congregations. We stayed a week or more in a place holding revival services with them. Often our meetings consisted largely of prayer and it was with great pleasure that we noticed that in these prayer-meetings our Christian women took part as well as the men. So often it is almost impossible to get them to realize that it is the duty of the wife as well as of the husband to pray. Many of the women

have told us personally that they were also trying to pray with and for their children.

While we were in one village, a lad of thirteen, a son of one of our Christians, died. He was the youngest of seven sons, five of whom had died, one was in the army, and he alone was left to be the comfort and joy of his parents. Their sorrow was great, but through it all there was no word of complaint. Instead the mother herself comforted her neighbors who came to mourn with her, and told them that he was much better off than he could ever have been on earth. It is through such living testimony as this that India is to be won for Christ. Poor, though the Christians may be, and despised as they often are, they are yet being wonderfully used as a testimony to the redeeming and saving power of Christ. In one village where we found a great spirit of inquiry among the non-Christians we heard from all sides praise and appreciation of the Christians who were living there in their midst. "Why, Sahib," one old Sikh said to Dr. Brown, "they do not lie and steal and fight as they used to. We can depend on them now as we could not do before."

Our yearly Presbyterial is a great help to the women for they feel that they have a part in it, and that it is their especial work. As we go around through the district, they often speak of it and the pleasure and benefit which they get from it. This last year it met at Chak 74 in Padri Mallu Chand's congregation. There were not so many women present as usual for it was about twenty miles from Sargodha and hard for the women to reach. However many of them came long distances on foot. The women who were present were very enthusiastic, and on hearing of the sorrows and sufferings of the women and children of Belgium, voted to send them the Thank-Offering of fifty-five rupees.

Zenana Work.

Bible women: Mrs. Nasir, Sargodha City; Mrs. Shabaz, Bhalwal; Rachel Shadi, Sargodha City.

Our city work is much the same as that of former years; the women want us to come and give them secular teaching, but when it comes time for the Bible lesson, they listen coldly and indifferently. Mrs. Nasir who is a woman of training and experience, has been with us only a short time and has not yet been able to open up much new work. The women, however, look up to her and respect her and we hope that she will gradually gain entrance into many homes which heretofore have been closed to us.

Mrs. Shabaz reports many open doors in Bhalwal. Her little dispensary brings many women to her home, and she is known far and wide among both Christians and non-Christians as "Mother." Bhalwal is growing rapidly and many new families are moving in, and she loses no opportunity to make friends with them, to gain entrance into their homes, and to tell them of the Saviour.

SIALKOT DISTRICT.

Non-Christian Work Among Women.

Misses Minnie E. Beatty, Mabel C. Stewart.

In a large Christian district such as that of Sialkot, where the greater part of the missionaries' time is used in giving instruction to those who are already called Christians, to write of the work done among non-Christians makes one almost heartsick. It seems so pitifully little in comparison with what might be done if there were but more workers. To pass completely by village after village where there are no Christians because one must hurry on to those who,

though called by that name, yet need so much shepherding before they can be brought into the fullness of life in Christ; to walk past door after door in the villages where one could enter and be gladly received and listened to if there were but time, such is our experience practically every day. Many doors, closed in former years, are open now. Will they stay open always, or will our Mohammedan and Hindu sisters grow weary waiting for us to come to them?

After we start out to work in the villages, Mrs. McKelvey, left behind in the camp, receives crowds of Mohammedan and Hindu women from the nearby villages. Many come for medicine, many out of curiosity, but all stay to hear God's message, and though some scoff, to some surely comes the realization that in their religions they have no assurance of a sinless Saviour such as our Christ.

In the villages, too, non-Christian women come often to sit with the Christians while we have our service. At one place our hearts were discouraged because of the indifference of the Christians, but as the Bible woman turned to give the message to the Mohammedan and Hindu women standing near, we were surprised to hear an intelligent looking Hindu say, "Oh, yes, I know about the Bible. My son was blessed with children, but, alas, one after another died. Some one told him to read the Bible, and he did, every day, and now he has two living sons. Oh, yes, indeed, I've heard about the Bible." When we believe that the word of God is powerful, may we not have faith to believe that through that man's reading of it, he and his mother, too, might be brought to realize that not merely earthly blessings, but that far greater spiritual blessings come from the reading of God's word.

At another village a large crowd of non-Christians had gathered, and, as usual, because missionaries are always a curiosity, there were many questions to ask concerning our relatives and clothes and customs. Finally one woman said to her noisy questioning neighbors, "Do be quiet and let me listen. I want to find out where we can find a Saviour Who will save us from Hell." So, along with many of those who come merely to satisfy their curiosity there come, too, those who truly have hearts hungry to hear of a Saviour for sinners. When a Mohammedan woman shows enough interest not only to sit and listen to the Word as it is taught, but tells the Miss Sahiba to let her know when the Women's Presbyterial is to meet, so that she, too, can come, surely she has a real longing to know more of the truth. Indeed, at our last Presbyterial one Mohammedan woman who had shown interest in Christianity for years, did come, and sat listening with interest through two days of the Presbyterial.

One would hardly expect them to have intelligence enough to argue, but when the story of the prophecy of Christ's birth was being told we found that they had been taught enough, at least, to believe on Christ as merely a prophet, never as the Son of God. "But in the Gospel we are told plainly that Christ is the Son of God," we said, "and in your Koran you are told to believe the Gospel, also." "But," one of the women said, "you don't tell what is in the Gospel." "Can you read?" we asked, thinking that the easiest way of stopping the argument would be to get her to confess her ignorance. "Oh yes," she replied, and sure enough, on being handed the Testament she began to read aloud. We

were taken aback, but succeeded in persuading the woman to borrow a half a cent from a neighbor standing near and buy a scripture portion. If we are faithful in praying that God's blessing may accompany each portion sold, may we not have faith to believe that His Spirit will through the reading of it teach the way of salvation and bring many to accept Christ as their personal Saviour.

Work Among Christian Women.

The work among the Christian women has many encouraging features. The women seem more anxious to learn especially among those who have been clinging to the promises of the Roman Catholic priest, for land, schools, wells, etc., but in very few instances have any of the promises been fulfilled. We, on the other hand, have been enabled to give land to the most worthy families.

It was interesting to note the change in one village where the women absolutely refused to hear the message last year. They insisted that we have tea and began to tell all the Bible truths that they could recall. They made an honest effort to commit the Bible story that was taught them, and were most insistent that a worker be sent to teach them each week. After special inquiry we discovered that the leading man of the village wishes to annex the second wife so had been reproved by the "Father," so for this reason they were anxious to find a haven of rest in the American Mission.

One woman upon being asked, "Upon whom does your faith rest?" confidently replied, "My faith rests upon the one who lives in Adha," meaning the Roman Catholic priest. She was covered with confusion when she discovered her mistake.

In one village where the women were noisy and did not wish to hear the Bible teaching where a fine display of charms dangled from their necks, wrists, or ankles, upon being told that they seemed like Roman Catholics, one woman quickly replied, "There are none here." We feel that Catholicism is on the decline when those women who in former days would say proudly, "We are Roman Catholics," are now ashamed to confess it.

Many of our women have not lost their fear of the Faquirs who beg from door to door. When we were offering suggestions of how women could give the tithe to the Lord and how that this grain or flour should not be given to these able-bodied men, a woman who had boasted that she knew fifteen stories said, "I refused to give flour to one, he cursed me, and my son fell from the roof in a few days." "Sister," said our dear Bible woman, "There is nothing in that. When my husband was ill, I gave three tins of flour and a dozen yards of cloth to Faquirs, but he died in a few days." "Shocking!" you say; not so much so to you as it was to us, but we remember that some of the dear good people in the home-land who have generations of Christianity back of them, still refuse to sleep in room "thirteen."

The wife of a worker had been ill for years. She seemed dull and unattractive to us. We had always marvelled that her husband could be so kind and sympathetic. Her little baby girl was a source of worry to her lest they might not be able to make a marriage arrangement for the child. She realized that the Sansis are lower in the social scale than our low-caste people. When it was found that she was suffering from an incurable disease, her Christian neighbors tried to persuade her to go to the Faquirs and get charms. Her quick reply was, "No, I will die first." She

had found One Who would go with her down into the valley and the shadow of death and she trusted Him until He took her to Himself a few months ago.

We have two missionary societies in our district, one new one during the year. A special effort is being made to establish societies in all the larger villages during this camping season. Collections are taken at the monthly meetings and a Thank-Offering once a year. Although the offering may seem small to us, many giving a half cent, yet in the eyes of Him Who looked with compassion upon the widow's mite, this would compare favorably with the offering in the homeland. One woman said proudly, "That makes eight cents for our family." The wife of a worker gave about half of their income for a month as a Thank-Offering because their son was restored to health. She has promised to give another offering if her daughter is restored .

On Sabbath we have communion in the villages in which we are camped. In one place three women came at the close of the service. One of them said to us, "We were not through with our work when the others came; we are the foolish virgins who were left outside; the ones who came early are the wise."

Our Annual Bible School was held on the Sialkot Convention grounds. The workers and their families moved there and for two weeks all were taught from the book of Genesis. Thirty women and fifty children were enrolled in our classes. The Sialkot Convention was but a continuation of our Bible School. Many were richly blessed and all are doing better work as a result of being upon the mountain top those three weeks of Bible School and Convention.

WOMEN'S WORK, SIALKOT CITY.

Mrs. A. M. Laing.

We are very thankful to have secured for a Bible woman Mrs. Jai Prakash, who was at one time a pupil in our Girls' Boarding School here. She is very faithful in her work and seems to have the work really at heart. She is very quiet in her manner, but seems to have won her way among the non-Christian women of the city. Wherever she goes she insists upon the women listening to the gospel message. She is not afraid to preach Jesus Christ. During the year in a number of places she has found homes which had not been visited before where she is received gladly. In one place where there was only one woman and a girl, now there are six or eight houses in the neighborhood open for her work. In many of the places the women confess Christ but are not ready for open profession because of the fear of their relatives. In some places when she goes to one house, the neighboring women crowd in and listen.

Christian Work.

Out of eight sections of the city where there are Christians living, there are three where the women are very well taught. They have learned what the others have not, how to sit in a meeting and keep their children quiet. This is largely due to the fact that our faithful old Bible woman, Mary Anna, taught a number of them to read when they were young girls. It is also due to the fact that the workers there do their best to teach the women, and hold regular services there. Bhagan, the wife of one of the elders, teaches a class of young girls and women in one of the sections, and also does some teaching in a neighboring section. In this section there is a very bright young girl. She cannot read but she has a missionary spirit. A great

many times when we go to the section and meet with the women, she takes us to some of the non-Christian houses where she works. She has told them about her religion and promised them a visit from the missionary. Many of the Christian men have gone to the war, so often our meetings are very sad ones. In the remaining sections as yet the women know very little and evince very little interest. In one of these, however, the women have been asking to be taught but it is difficult to arrange for them as there is no chance for the worker there to do much, for he is a young man. Pray for these that the way may be opened for them to be taught.

SIALKOT GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL.

Principal: Miss M. R. Martin.

Vice Principal: Miss O. R. Laing.

Staff: Miss R. Qutub-ud-Din, head Mistress; Miss Rosa Jiwan Mal, Christian Wylie, Alice Ranga, Ghauran Miyan, Rajan Jiwan, Iri, three Mohammedan Munshis.

Enrollment, December 31, 1916, 196. Receipts: Fees, Government Grant, Rs. 3889. Granted from Mission Funds. Rs. 11925. Total Expenditure, Rs. 15814.

As usual the school is very crowded, though the actual number of boarders has not exceeded 200. We have an unusually large normal class this year—6 Senior and 7 Juniors. The last Senior Normal class finished their course in May and two of the girls, Viro and Barkati, are teaching in Pasrur and one Julia, in Sangla Hill. So far their work has been satisfactory and they are enjoying their new responsibilities. Miss Stratford, the Government Inspectress, was very pleased with the work the present Normal class is doing.

We have had very little sickness among the girls this year, though of course there has been the usual amount of fever and boils.

Two of our girls died this year—one of tuberculosis and the other of pneumonia. One girl who had been in the school since childhood, ran away and after a few months returned, though as she didn't show a very penitent spirit, we soon found another home for her.

The larger girls are nearly all church members and a number of the younger ones have joined the church. We have our regular Sabbath School and Christian Endeavor services every Sabbath. Recently we took up a collection for the Belgians and the girls gave very gladly, so we are able to send over five dollars to help the poor suffering people over there. Five dollars may not seem much to people in America but it is wealth to these school girls. A number of the girls gave every cent they had except one pice (one-half cent) which they kept to buy a post card for sending word home at the end of the month. Both teachers and girls have worked busily making caps and shirts for the soldiers.

In January Tahmil David was here for a few days and we closed school for two days and devoted the time to meetings. He talked to the girls both morning and evening and his message, delivered with power, has effected a great change in a number of the girls. At the time many came and confessed their faults and have since been making every effort to do better and we are glad they are succeeding in their efforts and showing marked improvement.

Recently one of our best teachers has left us. Her parents are making her marriage arrangements and have insisted on her leaving in the midst of the school year. She wanted to stay until the end of the school year but could not do so against the wishes of her parents. Her

leaving has left us in a tight place for the middle examinations are on in a month and the Normal examinations come in May.

SIALKOT GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL.
M. R. Martin.

Staff: Mrs. Masili Dujal, Christian, Bible woman; Juini Wadhama Mal, Christian; Fatima Sharifa Bey, Mohammedan; Hidayat-ul-Nissa Hijib Ullah, Mohammedan; Jamali Lahna Singh, Sikh.

Having both Hindu and Mohammedan girls in the school and the work done in two languages makes a larger staff necessary.

The number of girls in attendance at the end of the year was 90, the average attendance was 71.

In the spring when the new Teachers' Training Classes were formed in the Boarding School, Sharifa Chanda Singh, the head teacher, dropped out for a year to join the Senior Vernacular Training Class. She had only taken the Junior Vernacular, and that a number of years ago, so that she needed the revision as well as the more advanced and more modern training. I urged the step, for she was getting into ruts, though meantime we had to take on an untrained, inexperienced Mohammedan girl to provide temporarily for the work and of course the quality of the work in some classes suffered.

Juini Wadhama Mal, the second teacher, has taken charge and the Inspectress says of her: "She has managed the classes well and done well in other ways and kept the work of the kindergarten department in her own hands. The babies are very bright and have evidently been well taught, etc." Juini, who had only passed the Junior Vernacular examination, in addition to her teaching worked up for the Senior Vernacular examination privately (with the voluntary help of some of the teachers in the Boarding School, where she lives) and appeared for the examination last spring and passed in her Practical Teaching and in all the other subjects except one. She will appear in that subject next April when, if she passes, she will get her Senior Vernacular certificate.

The Inspectress comments: "It is very satisfactory to note that the teachers are anxious to improve themselves and keep up their own studies and the school is sure to get on. Registers are very nicely kept and the order is good."

The results of the Scripture examination were also good and most of the girls are interested in their Bible lesson. One gratifying thing is that the non-Christian teachers are eager to have their daily Bible lesson.

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SIALKOT CITY.
Doctor Maria White.

Staff: Miss Singh, Sub Assistant Surgeon; Mrs. Robson, Compounder; Mrs. James, Bible woman; Mrs. Roy, Staff Nurse; Mrs. Massy, Matron; Mrs. Albert Moti Lal, City Bible woman.

Nurses: Certificated, Lachhmi, Zahn, student; Kakkii, student; Dhiri, student; Ruth, student; Mazawanti, student; Eunika, student; Sosie, student.

1916 completed thirty years of medical work in our mission. November 10 of 1886 the first medical missionary landed in Bombay, and one month previous the establishment of the work which now numbers four hospitals and seven dispensaries was passed by the Mission.

The Memorial Hospital, Sialkot City, the first established, now consists of four large buildings with 125 beds. It has kept up its standard the last year, and though the Superintendent was often faint from physical weakness, no depart-

ment has been allowed to drop below. And the indoor department has numbered 860 patients; operations, 823; confinements, normal, 46; abnormal, 35. The surgery has been done with much difficulty as the surgeon suffers from a loss of grip in the fingers, but it could not be passed by. Some of the most successful and most difficult operations of the hospital history were a complete success.

The Bible work in the hospital and Sabbath School was carried on with marked earnestness as was also the dispensary Bible work. All the patients were interested in the teaching and often returned after receiving their medicine for further talks about Christ.

Two hundred copies of the Gospel portions were sold and many leaflets distributed. There have been in the dispensary many new patients with a large attendance.

Our children's department did not number as high as other years, though several new ones were received. A number were returned to their fathers who having again married, were able to take them over. Two were sent to the C. T. I. and the number was reduced just before leaving to three little darlings who were handed over to my successor.

The hospital was inspected twice by Government during the year; first in April by the Inspectress, Dr. Balfour, who was Assistant to the Inspector General of Hospitals. She went minutely into every thing and gave a very complimentary report. In December it was again inspected by the Inspector General in person who was profusely complimentary, often calling the Civil Surgeon's attention to arrangements he considered better than any Government arrangement and spoke of the possibility of closing all women's departments in the municipality hospitals at Sialkot and of eventually concentrating in the Memorial Hospital. Should this be done Dr. Jongewaard will require a co-worker for as it is the work is too heavy for one doctor. The hospital was also inspected by the Medical Board of our Mission who also handed over a complimentary report to the Mission at the Annual meeting.

Dr. Jongewaard remained in Hajipur till December 7th and when she came was given over full charge of the indoor and dispensary work that she may be somewhat acquainted with it before I left.

During the year four nurses left for homes of their own. The first was married in the C. T. I. Chapel in August to one of the Professors; the other three were all married on the 22nd of December; one at Pasrur, the home of her mother, was married to one of the Mission Munshies; the other two were on the floor at the same time at the Memorial Hospital, they both married Theological students of the Seminary in Gujranwala. Three nurses were received for training during the year and the fourth a certified nurse will be received on the first of January, so that a good staff still remains.

For one month we had a good Superintendent of Nurses of high qualifications, but she resigned on account of the illness of her mother, but Dr. Jongewaard hopes to get her back again.

During the first half of the year we were without a City Bible woman, as the position is very difficult to fill satisfactorily, but by the first of June an elderly woman of much experience was employed and has carried on the work with considerable zeal. Now in closing the year, 1916, and handing the work over to my successor, I wish to express

my thankfulness to our heavenly Father for the marvelous way He has led me through the thirty years and to ascribe to Him and Him only all the glory.

I can pray with the Psalmist, Psa. 71:16-18—"I will come with the mighty acts of Jehovah: I will make mention of Thy righteousness, even of thine only. O God, thou hast taught me from my youth; and hitherto have I declared thy wonderous works. Yea, even when I am old and gray-headed, O God, forsake me not, until I have declared thy strength unto the next generation."

WHITE MEMORIAL, PASRUR.

Doctor Maria White.

The White Memorial, Pasrur, which was closed in November, 1915, on account of discord in the staff, the whole of which were dismissed, was opened by myself personally about the 17th of January, and carried on by me for two weeks. This was necessary for two reasons. First, the hearts of the people, after the shock of the dismissal, had to be won back to the hospital and I felt I could do this quicker than an assistant. Second, in placing a European in charge, quarters for the native assistants had to be provided and two comfortable rooms with separate bath rooms and cook rooms and verandahs were built.

On January 27th Miss Anderson who had been with me a year in Sialkot took charge as Vice Superintendent and Bible teacher, Miss Faqira as medical assistant and Miss Bashir-u-din as compounder and Allah Rakhi as dresser. The hospital was closed for the month of August on account of the necessity of letting the assistants have their vacation, and owing to the native girls requiring protection all the time, I felt it better they should take their vacation at the same time as Miss Anderson.

The hospital has been open ten and a half months and 81 indoor cases have been admitted. At the dispensary, new cases, 5,359.

Work has run smoothly, and the people who the former assistant tried to prejudice against the hospital, now attend with confidence in the treatment given and manifest keen interest in the Bible teaching. Miss Anderson who is the teacher reports as follows:

"We have had sometimes very large audiences who have been most appreciative. Some have listened to the Bible teaching with a real desire to know more and possess the great gift of salvation and God's great love for themselves, but as usual, fear of the world and their relatives hinder them from accepting that precious gift. A number of the patients who come to the dispensary have begun to think much about the difference in their teaching and ours and say that ours seems the best, and many leave the place with their misconceptions of death, resurrection and judgment considerably cleared up. The Mohammedans believe in the resurrection, but their ideas concerning it are most distorted. In the hospital I have had splendid talks with the in-patients and their attendants, most of whom have been keen listeners showing an earnest desire to know more. One set of Mohammedan women who were open opposers were won around to appreciative attention, and who later on began speaking openly of the wonderful teaching of love."

In closing this report, I praise God for what He has done for the White Memorial and the wonderful influence it has been not only in the city but all over the district.

ZAFARWAL.

Misses Nancy A. Hadley, Alice G. Burnham.

Christian Village Women.

In the course of the year all the Christian women were visited, but most of them only once. One encouragement we have received is the greater willingness of some mothers to send their children to school. But this is far from being the universal desire. Many refuse to send their girls because they believe their education will interfere with early marriages or unfit them to marry the illiterate men to whom they are engaged very young, or else because they wish their services at home.

The missionary societies have been the means of blessing, and a good interest has been maintained by the members. The giving of the Thank-Offering has been a real help to our Christian women.

Work Among Non-Christian Women.

Work among non-Christian women has been carried on in connection with the Christian work. Very often while we wait for the Christian women to gather, we are able to give a message to Hindu and Mohammedan women.

In one village after the lesson had been taught to the Christians, a young Mohammedan woman showed by her earnest, intelligent questions that she had been listening carefully to all that had been said. We explained the truth to her as fully as we were able. "Alas," she said, "I thought our book was true, but this is a new teaching, and truly it seems to be of God."

Great numbers come to our tent, but even those who come only for medicine are ready and willing to sit and listen to our teaching. They respond to the touch of love, but we long for the day when they shall be constrained by the love of Christ to make open confession of Him.

Zanana Work.

The Zafarwal zananas were not visited by missionaries this year for lack of missionaries. Our Bible woman, however, has done faithful work; another has taught in surrounding villages and forty-five homes have been visited regularly. These two women, together with the teacher in the school, have prayer with us each morning before we go to our work.

Miss Burnham was appointed to Zafarwal in October and since that time we have been itinerating in the district.

City School.

There has been steady progress in the school during the year. The attendance has increased and the parents of the pupils show a much greater interest in the work than formerly. The teacher is well received and respected in the city. She seems, too, to have a real burden for the Hindu and Mohammedan girls in her care. Two girls from the Hindu school recently asked permission to read with us. We were obliged to tell them the rule forbade our admiting them unless they could present a leaving certificate from the other school, but considering the opposition formerly shown to our work, we were gratified that the request should have come. After the recent examination the Government Inspectress recommended that our school be placed on the list of aided schools.

EGYPT.

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, TANTA.

Carol E. McMillan.

A brief statement of the work in the school during the year 1916. The following statistics will give you a comparison in that way:

	1915	1916
Total No. pupils	206	232
Boarders	15	17
Pupils who pay part or in full	196	220

Pupils free	10	12
Pupils Protestant	21	22
Pupils, Copts	111	126
Pupils, Moslems	45	58
Pupils, others	29	26
Pupils, Egyptians	166	199
Pupils, others	40	33
	1915	1916
Tuition receipts	$1053.85	$1217.62
Boarding receipts	977.27	1242.75
Total receipts	$2031.12	$2460.37
General Donations		$ 25.00
Mission Treasury	$1499.76	$1920.01
Expenditures.		
Instruction	$1424.27	$1617.13
Boarding	1067.30	1820.57
Repairs, rents, etc.	1039.31	967.68
Total	$3530.88	$4405.38

Only six of our boarders pay in full and five of them are Moslems. The others range from $6.00 per month to $1.25 and one is entirely free, whom we hope to train for a Bible woman for her village. All are from villages except one Jewess belonging to Tanta.

They vary in social life from the daughter and granddaughters of a Pasha who is worth very nearly a million if not quite to the daughter of a servant woman. They are nice children and I love them all. The daughter of the servant woman has been a problem in many ways. She was of the "Topsy" type and had not had any training in anything good until she came to us. She has improved greatly, but still has a long way to go before she reaches the state of being a model child. The Jewess did not want to conform to our religious life when she first came, but now she is willing to kneel and lead the children in their evening prayer just before they go to bed. I try to make the school life not too much of a machine but try to have in it the loving atmosphere of a home.

In June we graduated a nice class of nine girls—five Copts, two Syrians, one Armenian and one Moslem. We tried having the graduating exercises in the public garden but found it was a great mistake as we couldn't control the crowd. We will be content hereafter with the church and something simpler. I am beginning to think that these entertainments cost too much in mission nerve energy.

Two of the Coptic girls united with our church during the spring and following that I held a special Bible class daily for their instruction especially, but I invited any of the girls who cared to come to do so and was greatly rejoiced when they all did even to the Mohammedan girl. We studied a little booklet called "Fundamental Principles" which was gotten up by some Bible school that used to meet at Chautauqua, New York. It states in a very concise form the beliefs held by all Protestant denominations with references from the Bible.

School closed in June with a week of examinations. September, this year, was the best in the history of the school in spite of the fact that we were short of teachers. One of the June graduates came and helped out and did very good work. She taught through October and then had to stay at home in the absence of her grandmother who was called to Cairo on account of illness in the family. Then I secured another of the June class and she has continued ever since.

I feel that in different ways the school is better than it has ever been under my management. It is well said that "Experience is a thorough teacher."

The Sabbath School in connection with the school is still kept up with hopes for better things next year.

Teachers and former pupils continue the teaching staff in the Kafr Aly Agha Sabbath School. It is a work of joy; children gathered in from the street,

dirty beyond description and as untrained as wild animals, but it is a real privilege to get them in.

WADY HALFA.

The William Little School for Girls.

By J. K. Giffen, D. D.

The following extract from a letter from Dr. Giffen gives us the latest information concerning the William Little School for Girls at Wady Halfa. We pray that this school may be fully equipped before our next report. We implore our Father to accompany with His blessing this brief report of the work of the year:

The building at Halfa is finished, and they have occupied it since January. The building is exceedingly nice both in appearance, and in its convenience. As you know there is but little or no furniture, but for this we will have to wait, as everybody is willing to do under the present conditions. I had hoped to get a good picture of it on our way down, but could not at that time get any films for my camera; but since coming here have the films, and hope to get the photos on our way back.

Also the accounting. When we came by I found the young man, who has been so good as to look after the work had been ill for some weeks. He had a statement of the account from the contractor, which was written in Greek, and I asked them to have it put into English or Arabic, which he promised to do as soon as he could, but up till date I have not received them. As soon as I can I will send you, and also for Mr. Little, all the details. I am sorry that this has been so long delayed, but assure you that there is no one to blame, except that the contractor could have completed the work earlier had he wished; but you know the ways of contractors in general.

THE CONVOCATION COMMITTEE.

By a Member of the Committee.

The Convocation Committee is the child of the Missionary Convocation which met in Pittsburgh on January 30, 31 and February 1, 1917. The Convocation itself is a child of an appeal for workers which came from our mission field over thirteen years ago.

Let us go back a bit into history. In the year 1903 an appeal came from the missions in Egypt, India, and the Sudan to the General Assembly in Tarkio for 485 missionaries in addition to the force already on the field. This additional number would mean that we would have one missionary, man or woman, for every 25,000 of the population. At that time the missionaries said that with this proportion of workers it would be possible to give every individual of the sixteen millions in our fields an adequate opportunity to know Christ during that generation, or thirty-three years, almost one-half of which has now passed. The Assembly heartily endorsed the appeal of the missions and called upon the Church to rise to its task and adequately occupy the fields.

All this happened a little over thirteen years ago. This is what we have done in the thirteen years:

We have increased the force of workers from 91 to 169—an advance of 78 workers, or 85 per cent.

Our contributions have increased from $249,344 to $435,474—an advance of $186,130, or 74 per cent.

Our Church membership has increased from 119,358 to 156,954—an advance of 37,596, or 37½ per cent.

The membership of the Native Church has increased from 17,994 to 46,652—an advance of 28,658, or 159 per cent.

Not long ago some people began to think about these facts and to wonder how long at the rate we were going it would take to evangelize our sixteen millions. They also wondered if the United Presbyterian Church was really doing its level best to accomplish the task. Then they thought some more. Then they decided that the best way to find out about these things was to ask the Church about it. So they issued a call for a Missionary Convocation of the whole Church to meet in Pittsburgh on January 30, 31, and February 1, 1917. The Convocation met. There were 1657 people there from all over the United Presbyterian Church. Here are a few discoveries they made.

We are now asking every man or woman missionary on our fields to be responsible for giving the Gospel to 100,000 souls.

If we bring the average up to the standard of one missionary for every 25,000 (the request of the missionaries thirteen years ago), we must increase the force at work by 407 missionaries.

To support the 407 and provide the necessary equipment for them on the field will require an advance in our foreign missionary contributions of $794,600 a year.

During the past thirteen years we have made a net increase in the force of missionaries at work by 6 missionaries a year. If we continue at this rate it will require 68 years to reach the mark of 407.

During the past thirteen years we have been increasing our foreign missionary offerings by $14,317 a year. If we continue at this rate it will require 55 years to find the support for the 407 when they are secured.

Out of the 16,000,000 in our fields one dies every minute, 1,440 a day, 525,600 a year. During the next 68 years 35,740,400 will die. If we take 68 years to reach the 407 mark, at least one-half of that number, or 17,870,200, will die *without having had even an opportunity* to know Christ. That is almost 2,000,000 more than the present population of the fields. That is 113 times the membership of the United Presbyterian Church. That means that during the next 68 years for every single member of the United Presbyterian Church, 113 people in our foreign fields are going to die without even a chance to hear of Christ *if we continue to advance our foreign missionary work at the rate at which we have been going for the past thirteen years.*

Egypt.

The failure of the "Holy War" and the new contacts with modern life are winning the Moslem away from his ancient faith as no other forces have done through all the centuries. This is the supreme opportunity of Christianity in the Valley of the Nile. Our United Presbyterian Church has assumed practically the entire responsibility for giving Christ to this land.

Of the 10,269,449 Mohammedans in Egypt, not more than 1,000,000 are being reached by any Christian agency.

We claim 2,963 of the cities and villages of Egypt as our share. After 60 years of occupation we have regular work established in 288.

India.

There are 9,784 cities and villages in our field in India. After 60 years of occupation we have regular work in 489.

The Mass Movement in India continues to grow at a tremendous rate. Whole villages are asking the missionaries for baptism and admission to the Church. They know nothing of the

fundamentals of Christianity. To refuse them will mean to lose them for Christ. To admit them untaught will mean to heathenize the young Church. It is utterly impossible to teach them with our present force. 50,000 are now waiting to be admitted. Already we have been taking them in more rapidly than we can care for them, so that in 1915 on account of lapsed members the church in our India Mission showed a *net decrease* of 1,618, most of whom could have been retained by adequate leadership. All this has taken place among the outcastes. Signs of a Mass Movement among the upper castes are multiplying on every hand. When this comes the task will be still more challenging.

Sudan.

Take a lead pencil and a map of the United States. Beginning at New York City draw a line northwest to a point in Canada just north of Lake Superior; then draw the line straight west to a point in the Pacific Ocean 1,700 miles beyond the coast; then draw the line to Salt Lake City; then south across the Arizona border into Mexico; then northeast to Birmingham, Alabama; then northeast to New York City. You have outlined an area equal to the section of the Sudan that is yet practically unoccupied for Christ by any missionaries. Our mission stations at Doleib Hill and Nasser are relatively about where Chicago and Cincinnati are located. There are two other small mission stations starting in this area. In size it contains 2,000,000 square miles. It represents the heart of the Black Belt of Africa. It is inhabited by millions of the pagan child races of the world. Into this area the Moslem traders are advancing and winning them to Mohammedanism by the thousands, thus making them many times more difficult to bring to Christ. They will never again be so easily reached as now. In all this area (Southern Sudan) we have five missionaries at work.

These and many other challenging facts characterized the great Convocation, but the one characteristic that lifted it out of the usual type of missionary convention was the spirit which found its expression in that sentence, "Don't let it die." In the heart of every delegate at the Convocation there was a conviction that the tremendous spiritual challenge of the Convocation must not be allowed to evaporate in mere enthusiasm, but it must be crystallized into a great advance missionary program of the United Presbyterian denomination.

Therefore, the most significant feature of the entire Convocation was not the great crowd, not the splendid program, but the unanimous vote at the last meeting of the Convocation when, by a single action of the great assembly of delegates, they not only recognized the tremendous opportunity and responsibility which confronts our denomination, but they set on foot a plan by which such missionary convocations are to be continued until the task of adequately occupying our foreign fields is actually accomplished. In addition to this, they called into existence a Convocation Committee, to which they entrusted the task of realizing the great ideals of the Convocation. Thirteen persons comprise the Committee: Rev. J. K. McClurkin, D. D., Chairman, Rev. J. Alvin Orr, D. D., Rev. J. A. Thompson, D. D., Mrs. George Moore, Mrs. J. P. White, Miss Anna A. Milligan, Mr. Fred MacMillan, Mr. George C. Shane, Mr. E. M. Hill, Mr. W. P. Fraser, Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Rev. W. B. Anderson, D. D., Rev. James Quay.

Five weeks elapsed after the Committee was called into being. They were weeks of meditation and prayer for every member as they surveyed the great task committed to them. On Tuesday evening, March 6th, this Convocation Committee held its first meeting in Pittsburgh to lay plans for the accomplishment of their task.

To say that the plans formulated by the Committee are fraught with deep significance for the life of our denomination is to put it mildly. The Committee has seriously addressed itself to bring before the entire United Presbyterian Church the adequate occupation of our foreign fields and the sending out of 407 new missionaries. Through every session it was apparent that each member was deeply conscious of the magnitude of the task, a task which is perhaps greater than that to which any similar group in our denomination has ever addressed itself. But in the earnest prayers which marked the meetings of the Committee and in the great, far-reaching plans that were laid down it was evident that in the heart of every member there was an unshaken faith in the willingness and the power of God to accomplish the task and an unshaken determination to abide faithfully, persistently and patiently by the task until it was fully accomplished.

The Committee was very careful to define for itself its powers and its relationships with regard to the official organizations of the Church. It is definitely committed to a policy of non-interference with any of the regularly established departments of our denominational life. In short, its work is not official or legislative. It exists solely for the purpose of visualizing for the Church her opportunity and her responsibility in foreign lands. By vote of the Committee the following section in the Resolutions adopted by the Convocation was accepted as defining its purpose:

"To keep before our Church the ideals that have here prevailed we recommend the appointment of a Continuation Committee. This Committee, through our Church papers, magazine and other literature, shall keep before us the goal of immediate occupancy of our field; shall call a Convocation similar to this as their judgment may dictate, and use any and all other legitimate means to realize this end."

The Committee feels that it is primarily the creation and the servant of the 1,657 delegates of the Convocation, and to them it will turn first for co-operation and encouragement as it enters upon its work. But to the entire membership of the United Presbyterian Church the Committee appeals for loyal service and intercession as it shall present from time to time opportunity for the enlistment of life in the great enterprise with which God has commissioned our denomination. The time has come for us to realize that in the winning of our 16,000,000 across the sea for Christ He is demanding of us something more than the mere investment of our wealth in the missionary enterprise. The Committee's approach to the Church, for the most part, will be along lines much more fundamental and heart-searching than a mere financial appeal. God has set before us an open door. No man can shut it. The only bar which can ever be placed across it to prevent our entrance will be the bar of our own unfaithfulness if we are disobedient to the heavenly vision.

LIST OF LIFE MEMBERS OF THE WOMEN'S GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA, AUGUST, 1886, TO JUNE, 1917.

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LIFE ANNUITY BONDS.

The Sterling Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society instructed its Board to issue four classes of Life Annuity Bonds, viz:

Class 1. When the annuitant is under forty years of age, pays 4½%.

Class 2. Where the annuitant is between forty and fifty years of age, pays 5%.

Class 3. Where the annuitant is between fifty and seventy-five years of age, pays 6%.

Class 4. Where the annuitant is seventy-five and over, pays 7%.

Annuitants may designate the principal of the bonds for the use of any department of the work of the Women's General Missionary Society they prefer.

Church women should buy bonds that will support the work of the women for women after the annuitant has gone to her reward. For further information address Mrs. H. C. Campbell, 6410 Beacon St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

REPORT OF

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

IT IS with much pleasure the United Presbyterian Women's Association presents each year to this Convention, cordial greetings and heartiest good wishes.

While it is true we work along different lines, yet in general the work of these two organizations of the women of the church is the same, viz., the upbuilding of the Kingdom and in the elimination, so far as possible, of pain and distrees. This we know from His word is the Lord's work and these missionary efforts have the example and approval of the Judge of all.

In the year that is gone we have had many joys, and have had our sorrows as well.

Some of our valued workers who were with us only a few weeks ago have completed their service here and have gone to the higher service.

On Sabbath afternoon of March 11th our beloved and efficient treasurer, Mrs. M. J. Steele, entered into her eternal rest. Mrs. Steele had been treasurer since October, 1884, and had served continuously until the time of her death. Thus she was not only a witness to, but a devoted and arduous worker in the wonderful growth of our Association. At the close of her first year's work the total receipts were $10,128.00; at the close of last year, October, 1916, the total receipts were $180,000.00. As the greater part of the Association receipts and disbursements are in small sums one can scarcely estimate correctly the vast amount of detail work necessary. Mrs. Steele was eminently fitted for these responsible duties, she did her work faithfully and well. It was her privilege to present the Association Report last year to this Convention.

In the early evening hour of March 12th, the summons to go up higher came to another of our devoted workers, Mrs. H. C. Bair. Her sister, Miss Mattie Smith, preceded her in death by four days. She had been a member of the Association from its beginning. Mrs. Bair was a charter member from its organization. In the earlier years she served as a manager of the Orphans' Home, later as a manager and for many years had been one of the vice-presidents of the Home for Aged People. In her quiet way she had the great power of creating interest in others for our Association work.

These dear friends will be missed greatly, not only in their homes, but in their churches, in their communities and in our Association as well. The memory of each is a benediction. But why do we weep, let us rather "Rejoice * * * and be glad with her, all ye that love her; rejoice for joy with her, all ye that mourn for her."

It was necessary to fill the position of treasurer without delay and we have chosen as successor to Mrs. Steele, Miss Sarah B. Henning, 1214 La Claire Ave., Swissvale, Pa. Miss Henning has had training in this line of work as auditor of the Hospital Board of Managers and is well fitted to assume the great responsibility as Association Treasurer. We commend her to your love and confidence.

The year has been one of interest and progress, indeed after more than thirty-eight years of our existence as an organization, interest and work never seem

to lag in the least but rather increase.

The workers are women elected at each annual meeting of the Association, from the ranks of busy workers in the several United Presbyterian churches, in and about Pittsburgh, Pa.

The Boards of each of the three Institutions meet in all day session once a month and in addition the members attend the monthly meeting of the Association to hear reports of the Institutions and devise plans for the better management of the work entrusted to each Board. This is but a part of the duty of each manager. She must take her part on committee work as well.

We have an Association day we would especially desire you to bear in mind each September as it recurs. This is our day for Praise and Prayer and Thanksgiving. We meet in one of the churches in Pittsburgh, and in the afternoon of the day set apart for the meeting, business pertaining to the Association is not mentioned.

This meeting is always most inspiring. One of our ministers favors us with a helpful and spiritual talk and many members of the Association offer fervent prayers for the success of this work. Will you not each consider that you are a member of this meeting and if you cannot come to it, send a letter to our Secretary giving some helpful thoughts or suggestions?

Of special days we have a number and we know you will in the future as you have in the past, help us prepare for these days. We would make mention of them beginning with our Annual Meeting which is held on the last Friday of October in the Fourth Church, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa. This is the church where our Association was organized in October, 1878. Of that band of women who met and were organized as the *United Presbyterian Women's Association*, with the assistance of the devoted pastor of the church, few remain today to carry on the work in its wonderfully enlarged sphere. Those not now with us having gone from their activities here to their eternal home.

Will you not help us prepare for this Annual meeting, each in your own congregation, interesting every member to become a member of the Association? Some will be able to do more than others.

It is not merely the amount you give, but your personal interest in this work we would seek. The payment of one dollar annually will make a person an annual member.

Would you not like to interest some to become life members? This can be effected by the payment at one time of twenty-five ($25.00) dollars and will make the donor a member during life. By the payment at one time of one hundred ($100.00) dollars the donor will become a director in the Association for life. A life member or life director may select at time of payment the way in which the money may be used.

In this connection we would suggest that possibly you may know in your circle of friends or in your congregation, persons who are planning for the distribution of their money when they are through with it here and who do not have direct heirs. If so will you not suggest to them the plan by which they may be sure of a permanent income during life and at the same time know that the principal is being used in the way they desire it, and this without court expenses or collateral tax.

A good friend of the Association has tried it and we know her mind is relieved of anxiety as to possible litigation and changing of her will after she has been

called to her reward. This friend and her husband were early workers in our Association. It is several years since her husband was called to that home where there is neither sorrow nor suffering. She is still an interested worker in our ranks and has given one thousand dollars to the Association in trust for the Orphans' Home.

Thanksgiving Day is observed in our three Institutions in much the same way as in the best Christian homes throughout our land.

Each Institution has a Reception and Donation day in the year, and it has been our pleasure to welcome many who come with bounteous gifts.

You have heard of Donation Day in the Orphans' Home almost from the inception of this work. Last June when the usual time came, the Home was quarantined on account of measles and the eventful day was postponed until the first Thursday of September. Can you imagine our sore disappointment when September came we were under order of the State Board of Health forbidding the assembling of children together on account of the prevalence of infantile paralysis throughout the State. Hence the necessity of again withdrawing invitations. But "Man's extremity is God's opportunity," and while friends could not visit the Home at this time they sent money, provisions and clothing until we received as much as on former Donation Days, when these friends came in person to spend a few hours with us and see our interesting family of boys and girls ranging in age from one and one-half years to fourteen years.

June 7th which is Donation Day of this year is not far away and we trust you will remember the Home at this time with special gifts.

On November 22nd of last year Columbia Hospital held its first Reception and Donation Day. The day was cold, damp and dreary without, but within our beautiful Hospital building, cheerfulness was the order of the day. Many friends came to congratulate the managers on the success of this wonderfully large and needy undertaking.

Very generous donations of articles needed in a Hospital were received. Friends who came and others who could not come gave or sent cash and checks until the money received that day amounted to $3000.00. This sum was applied to the building debt of our Hospital.

On February 22nd, last, the managers of our Home for Aged People held their first Reception and Donation Day for the benefit of this branch of Association work. As in the Hospital and in the Children's Home, cheerfulness abounded. The Home never looked more attractive. The managers, assisted by the Young Women's Auxiliary and the dear old people made their friends at once at home. The afternoon was pleasantly spent and when the guests had gone they had left a bountiful supply of necessary articles to make our aged ones remember they had many friends from far and near over the church who desired to make the Home one of comfort and happiness. The checks and money left, amounted to over $1000.00. Please remember these three Donation days, they are annual events.

The holiday season is always looked forward to with happy anticipations and all members of our great family whether they are in the Orphans' Home, the Hospital, or the Home for Aged People enjoy to the utmost the realization of their hopes.

If you could visit any of these Institu-

tions on Christmas morning you would witness a most beautiful scene. You would find not only one but several Christmas trees laden with gifts from missionary societies, Sabbath Schools and individual friends.

Many of our churches this year observed the white gift Christmas and made our Institutions the recipient of numerous offerings. These remembrances were much appreciated.

We wish to call your attention to the Annual Lawn Fete held on one of the closing days of June on the grounds surrounding the Hospital and Home for Aged People. Distance need not keep you from being a contributor to the success of this day. This is the day when we have our largest Association gathering and when much needed funds come into the treasury. Friends from far and near come with gifts of articles for the fancy work or common sense, candy or lemonade booths. These articles are sold, as nearly as possible for their actual value.

The supper served on the lawn is always enjoyed by many. Last June the receipts for the day were $5,121.77. An equal distribution of this sum was made to the three Institutions.

We would again, as in previous reports call your special attention to the splendid work the Young Women's Auxiliaries of each Institution. These young women are untiring in their efforts to bring joy and happiness to the children, aged people and sick ones. They render most valuable assistance also by way of increasing our treasury. Thus in all this work they are being trained to take their places on the Boards of Managers a little later on.

The young women of the Hospital Auxiliary meet in all day session once a month in the Hospital. They spend the morning in sewing articles, either for use in the Hospital or for their annual Christmas sale.

The benefit concert which they give each year has always been an enjoyable and profitable event. This year is was held on February 22, in Carnegie Hall, Pittsburgh. The money realized, more than $1600.00, was applied to the floating debt of the Hospital.

The place held in our work by the Auxiliary of the Home for the Aged People is equally as important as that of the auxiliaries of the other Institutions. The members hold their monthly meeting in the home of one of their members. They are regular visitors in the Home every week and the presence of these young women bring pleasure to our aged ones. The young women arrange for the music for the Sabbath services in the Home, hold entertainments twice a month and remember every holiday and every birthday of the Home family.

Recently the Auxiliary to the Orphan's Home Board has adopted the big sister movement. Each young woman takes an especial interest in certain children, remembering them on special occasions, birthdays, etc. These young women make it a part of their work to know all the children intimately. On account of the war they are not planning an entertainment this year to raise funds for the Home, and are giving much time to Red Cross work.

An entertainment each month for the pleasure of the children is another feature of their work. This Auxiliary meets in regular session on an afternoon every month.

The number of patients cared for in our Columbia Hospital from May 1st, 1916, to April 1st, 1917, was 4,126. Of this number 31 per cent. were free patients. A young woman has been

placed in charge of the Social Service work for Columbia and during the last nine months she has dealt with 428 cases. We consider this a most important part of our Hospital work.

In order to comply with the rules of the Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure the managers are frequently required to purchase new equipment for the several departments.

The maternity department has been overcrowded during the year, and this ward must soon be enlarged.

A class in first aid of the Red Cross work is being taught at Columbia, many young women are taking advantage of this opportunity. Fifteen nurses from the training school will graduate on May 22nd.

Columbia Hospital work is continually increasing and the expenses increase as well. There is at present a floating debt of $50,000.00. The running expenses per month amount from $6,000 to $10,000. The burden of this debt is resting heavily on the hearts and minds of the managers of the Hospital. Last year a splendid campaign was inaugurated for the purpose of bringing Columbia and her needs before the people. This was done by appeals through the church papers, using the last page of these papers for six weeks. The success by this means was most gratifying, the amount realized was $1,983.76.

Our Home for Aged People is filled to its capacity continually, and there is always a long waiting list. At present we have a family of eighty one. Many of our aged people come from the western states to spend their closing days in the Home.

From the beautiful and spacious grounds on which stand the large substantial buildings of the Hospital and the Home for Aged People, adjoining the eastern boundary line of Pittsburgh, come with us while we cross the city in a northwesterly direction, travelling about nine miles and we will take you to our Orphans' Home. Here you will find a lively, healthy, romping family of thirty-seven boys and thirty girls. They are not enclosed within locked doors or gates, but have the same freedom that your boys and girls enjoy.

If it has ever been your privilege to be in the Home when a family of new children enter, your heart would be saddened by the expression on their faces. The parting from some friend or perhaps from the one parent living who has brought them, is a scene you will never forget. Visions of severe Institutional treatment fill both the children and their friends as they separate. But with the children these visions are soon dispelled. The new family is given a bath and are dressed, in most instances, with new and much better clothing. The matron who is their mother now for the time being gives them a substantial meal, and makes them acquainted with their companions and surroundings.

The children of the Home family at once get their toys and story books to share them with their new brothers and sisters, and in a few hours you would scarcely recognize these little ones so lately of sorrow and distress. In a few days the parent or friend comes back to visit them and their unhappy visions are also dispelled, while they speak only words of thanksgiving that such a Home has been provided for their dear ones.

It is with no little disappointment we again tell you that our visions of new and better equipped buildings have not yet been realized. It is not an easy task to find a suitable sight within easy reach of a Public School and a United Presbyterian Church.

But we are not discouraged for we know that He Who over-rules all for good will in His own good time make the way clear for all our needs.

We are greatly in need of more ground. We have many calls for the care of infants. We need a Home large enough to make it possible for us to retain our boys and girls until they are sixteen years old—the age they can find employment in the state of Pennsylvania. Mothers everywhere know how much it means to a homeless boy or girl to have provided a Home with Christian environment where these boys and girls may be properly trained and thus prepared for life's duties as they go out into the world.

Frequently we are asked if we require certain religious belief of the families we admit to the Home. We have always replied with the same answer, viz., we admit children of parents of any religious belief or of no belief whatever, when we have room. United Presbyterial children are always given the preference.

Sometimes a mother or father must go to a Hospital and the remaining parent cannot look after the large family. These cases we gladly take as temporary children. In later years we are more frequently called upon to admit children of foreign born parents, especially is this true since our United Presbyterian Church is enlarging its mission work among foreigners in the United States.

From May 1st, 1916, to May 1st, 1917, we have taken care of ninety-six children. Of this number twenty-eight have been dismissed to parent or placed in homes for adoption. One dear little girl died of pneumonia. Our family now numbers sixty-seven.

In the Home you will find at present, six Italian and two Armenian children. Last year we had two Croation children and two whose father was a Swede. One of the happiest features of our home family is the interest the children take in Church and Sabbath School. The pastor of the Home and his congregation never fail to give the children much attention and we are very glad to tell you that six litle girls have made public profession of their faith at the recent communion service. The father of one of these girls lives near the Home and until this winter had been indifferent in church matters. But this little daughter induced the father to join the church with her.

Your own boys and girls will soon be enjoying their summer vacation. If it is convenient for you, won't you invite a boy or girl to spend a short time in your home? Through such visits in the past a number of our children have found permanent homes.

With profound gratitude to our heavenly Father we have completed another year of service and as we look forward to larger work to be assumed in the coming year, we appeal to you for increased interest, for your prayers and financial support.

May our visions of cancelled debt in Columbia Hospital and a new Orphans' Home be realized very early in the coming months.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. GEORGE W. MACDONALD.

GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD.

By Field Secretaries.

FOR MORE than half of the past year your Field Secretary has been off duty. These months, kindly allowed me by our Board, have meant much to us in the home, especially in view of the probability that, before my return to California, two sons will have answered the summons to war.

Since May, 1916, I have addressed nine Presbyterials, visited eight Presbyteries, totalling forty-nine meetings. These held chiefly in our great western section—great in its natural boundaries, its problems, needs, opportunities and achievements.

In the brief space allotted me today, I wish to drive home the ten salient points which will be an outstanding feature in our work, east and west, in this year upon which we have entered.

A railway company recently gave promise of progress and success in the assurance that, before the close of the year, every branch of its lines would be running "Standard Gauge." May I urge what is already self-evident, that, with every local society running "Standard of Efficiency Gauge," we will pull through the troublous days before us, on time, all obligations met, with a liberal bonus on hands for extension work.

Point 1. (At least a ten per cent. increase in membership over statistical report of previous year). Lines up our women into just two classes, viz., volunteers and slackers; there is no middle ground. What would you think if, at call of the President, two-thirds of our men, within the age limit, would refuse to be subject to enlistment? Of our more than eighty thousand church women, there are at least, fifty-nine thousand who are not members of a missionary society, and are not in position to render effective aid to the greatest, worthiest cause in the world. Point 1 vigorously pushed will create a popular sentiment against these missionary slackers which will force them into line.

Point 2. Sec. a. (All missionary society funds to be sent through the Presbyterial treasury to the general treasurer, and to be designated wholly for our Women's General Missionary Society). Calls attention to the fact that all missionary societies are pledged absolutely to the support of the General Missionary Society, and their missionary funds belong wholly and solely to its general treasury. This point needs to be hammered in, and then loyally safe-guarded, for sometimes missionary society funds are tapped and diverted from their legitable channel.

Sec. b. (A contribution to the Isaiah 41:6 Fund). Sounds a note of good cheer and fellowship to the women of the little Presbyterials; in a free-will offering to secure them a representation at the General Convention.

A Presbyterian woman, hearing of the purpose of this Fund, exclaimed, "What a beautiful thing this 'Little Sister Fund' is! We should have it in our church!"

Sec. c. (Contributions to our seven Women's General Missionary Society departments, equal at least, to those of previous year). Sounds "No Retreat," and keeps us in vital touch with each of the lines of work we are responsible for. I was pleased to hear a letter read in San Francisco Presbyterial recently from our General Treasurer; in which

she made it very clear that all funds except the Thank-Offering were to be "designated."

Point 3. (All reports, contingent fees and pledges attended to promptly when due). Urges the Christian courtesy of promptness. In our delicately adjusted machinery, every cog must be in its right place if we are to arrive in good shape and on time.

Point 4. (A definite share in Home or Foreign Missionary's salary). Links us in a definite way with the workers at the front. The man in the trench must have a connection with the man in the furrow, if he is kept well-provisioned for his task.

Point 5. (A Prayer Circle with copy of Prayer Cycle in hands of every member). The pivotal point around which our work revolves; our source of power, without which costly gifts are of no avail. The Pope was once displaying the treasures of the Vatican to a bishop, with the remark, "The Church can no longer say, 'Silver and gold have I none.'" "True, your Holiness, neither can she say, 'Rise up and walk.'" Are we willing to pay the price to have power with God?

Point 6. (An increase in number of Magazines taken, each woman in congregation to be asked to subscribe). This would spell more than the ten thousand asked for; and it would register a steady rise in our mental, spiritual temperature past "blood heat," right into the glorious summer of achievement and fruit bearing.

Point 7. (A systematic study of mission study text-books, apart from the usual monthly program). Many have proved the futility of trying to get any thing approaching a comprehensive grasp of the two books at the regular society meeting. Mission Study Conferences in an encouraging increase, make it possible to have trained leaders in almost every congregation, where study classes can be organized, and the missionary society can have the benefit in a clear, concise outline of contents and purpose of the book from one of the class members.

Point 8. Sec. a. (A young ladies' missionary society, or an unorganized group of girls or young women, contributing in some definite way, to the support of our women's work). This contains Christ's call, "Maid, I say unto thee arise." to a higher plane of service, to a consecration of your splendid talents to the things that really count in this world and the next.

Sec. b. (A Junior or Little Light Bearers' Band). Muster the children out into the "Relief Corps" of the W. G. M. S. Give them a chance to develop into "Good Scouts" in the King's Army.

Point 9. (An increase in number of tithe payers). "How much owest thou my Lord?" This question punctures the conscience of every Christian women —unless it is seared by neglect. It is not a question of income, as some would claim; every woman can be a tither of what she has, be it ever so little, and the Lord will bless her according to her spirit of giving. Have you ever tried to calculate what it would mean to our cause if all of us would conscientiously give the Master His own?

Point 10. (Increased Thank-Offerings, with observance of one week prior to the Annual Ingathering for daily, individual, praise, intercession and self-denial). Mary of Bethany's devotion was so absolute, that she counted not her

costliest treasure dear to herself. Mothers are giving some of their choicest treasurers these days for our country's sake. Can we offer less to Him Who gave His best for us? The faithful observance of "Preparation Week" might clear our vision as to what He wants most of all—ourselves.

"Rigid I lie in a winding sheet,
Which mine own hands did weave;
And my narrow cell is myself, myself,
Which yet I may not cleave.

And yet in the dawn of the early morn,
A clear voice seems to say,
'I am the Lord of the final word,
And ye may not say me nay.'

Unloose your hands that your brothers need
May ever find them free;
Unbind your feet from their winding sheet,
Henceforth they walk with me.

And lo, I hear! I am blind no more!
I am no longer dumb!
Out from the doom of a self-wrought tomb,
Pulsate with life I come."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. C. ALTER.

In December, 1916, I began the work of Field Secretary. Most of the winter was spent in the eastern part of the church. December and January were spent in and about Pittsburgh; February in Philadelphia Presbytery; March in Greater New York; April in Pittsburgh. I spoke at one hundred and fifty-four meetings of different kinds. The whole time has been one of great joy and blessing. I am so glad that this service has been my privilege. It has brought to me so many new friends and given me a new vision of the great work to be done in the home church.

The best results of the work came from the establishing of a weekly prayer meeting in Pittsburgh every Tuesday morning at ten o'clock. In Philadelphia this meeting is to be the first Thursday of every month at ten o'clock and in New York the first Tuesday of every month at two o'clock. Every Tuesday morning at ten o'clock ought to be an angelus for our United Presbyterian women. What would it not mean if at that hour every woman all over our beloved church would just pause in the midst of her daily task to ask God to bless us in the work given to the women of the church!

The aggressive work has been in the canvass of "Things to do" in five Presbyterials. This canvass was enthusiasticaly received and good results have come from it.

The largest number of new members in any society was in Allegheny, 37. The largest number of new members of any young women's society was in West Philadelphia, 24. The one at the head for mission study is Eighth Allegheny with 66 enrolled to study missions the coming year. Fifth Allegheny had the most new subscribers, 29. Avalon the highest number of subscribers to the Junior Magazine. Newark, New Jersey Presbyterial lead in the largest number of pledges to secure the Prayer Cycle and to make daily use of it, 60. Sewickley had five Life Members and Aspinwall seven Junior Life Members.

Below are the totals for the canvass of the five Presbyterials.

Women's General Missionary Society UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA THINGS TO DO	Philadelphia	Allegheny	Monongahela	New Jersey (Partial)	Hudson (Partial)	TOTAL
1. Join a Women's Missionary Society	162	174	136	23	4	499
2. Join a Young Women's Missionary Society	93	82	70	.....	14	259
3. Act as Superintendent of Junior Missionary Society	13	19	6	2	1	41
4. Assist in Young Women's Missionary Society	8	44	54	4	1	111
5. Lead a Mission Study Class	33	25	14	4	1	80
6. Join a Mission Study Class	130	175	74	19	19	417
7. Subscribe for Women's Missionary Magazine ($1.00)	167	205	205	28	16	621
8. Subscribe for Junior Missionary Magazine (25 cents)	45	71	77	2	4	199
9. Secure Prayer Cycle (10 cents) and make daily use of the same	354	258	158	112	32	914
10. Make increase in Thank-Offering	244	248	181	41	13	727
11. Make conscientious use of T. O. Box	236	231	224	85	22	798
12. Make increase in individual offering through Congregational Society to Women's Board	44	57	49	5	6	161
13. Become a Life Member of W. G. M. S. ($25)	8	13	5	1	.....	27
14. Make some Junior a Life Member ($10)	4	19	13	.....	.....	36

Respectfully submitted,
KATE A. HILL.

ANNUAL MEETING

Of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, June 12, 1917.

THE CORPORATION met in Annual session in Assembly Hall, Publication Building, Pittsburgh, Pa., June 12th, 1917, at 10 a. m.

Mrs. Sands, First Vice President of the Board, presided and Mrs. D. J. Brown conducted the devotional exercises. Mrs. R. J. Miller, Mrs. O. H. Milligan and Mrs. W. R. Wilson led in prayers of thankfulness and praise for what we have been permitted to do in our foreign and home fields.

In response to roll call the following delegates, members of Board and Life Members answered:

Allegheny Presbyterial: Mrs. Milligan, Mrs. Gilmore, Mrs. LaBelle, Mrs. Gilcrist, Mrs. Evans.

Monongahela: Mrs. Hutchison, Miss Hutchison.

Members of Board: Mrs. J. D. Sands, Mrs. Mary C. Porter, Miss Carrie Reed, Mrs. R. C. Morton, Mrs. D. J. Brown, Mrs. I. H. Milliken, Mrs. J. B. Hill, Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Mrs. Ada K. Wilson.

Life Members: Mrs. E. M. Hill, Mrs. A. A. MacLachlan, Mrs. W. R. Wilson, Miss M. J. Jamison, Mrs. R. J. Miller, Mrs. John McElvain, Miss Isabel Lockhart, Miss Margaret Mitchell, Miss Jennie Wallace and Mrs. W. H. Ewing.

The Recommendations, read, as accepted by the Convention, were adopted.

The Resolution were also adopted.

The action of the Convention, relative to the three Memorials presented, Kansas City Presbyterial relative to a change in the Mission Study Lessons, Mercer Presbyterial relative to special offering on Mother's Day and Philadelphia Presby-

terial relative to Field Secretary was approved.

The following reports were adopted: Recording Secretary, Statistical, Treasurer's, Secretary of Finance, Thank-Offering, Young Women's, Junior, Indian, Literature, Editor and Business Manager of Junior Magazine, Women's Magazine, Temperance, Freedmen, Foreign, Field Secretaries, Association and Parsonage.

The following notice of a change in by-laws, as presented by Mrs. H. C. Campbell to the Convention was read and approved:

"I hereby give notice that I or some one in my place will offer the following by-law for adoption at the next Annual Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society—

"(a). Any person may become a Life Director of the W. G. M. S. by the payment of three hundred ($300) dollars at one time.

"(b). Any person may enroll the name of a friend as a Life Director of the W. G. M. S. either as an honor to the living or in memory of one who has gone from earth, by the payment of the above named sum of money.

"(c). Fees for Life Directorships may be given as Thank-Offerings; but no other designations is permitted.

"(d). Life Directors have all the privileges of Life Members, and in addition may attend any afternoon session of a regular meeting of the Women's Board."

The report of the Nominating Committee was adopted as follows:

President, Mrs. E. C. Wellman, Sterling, Kansas.

First Vice President, Mrs. C. C. Kyle, Tarkio, Mo.

Second Vice President, Mrs. R. W. Burnside, Philadelphia, Pa.

Secretary, Mrs. J. T. Logue, Denver, Colorado.

Board of Directors: Mrs. J. D. Sands, Mrs. J. B. Hill, Mrs. R. C. Morton, Mrs. I. H. Milliken, Miss Carrie M. Reed.

Magazine Committee: Mrs. George Moore, Miss Hazel Flagg.

The choice of the Convention that Allegheny be the meeting place next year, was approved.

The following persons were recommended to serve as a Local Committee and were approved:

Mrs. O. H. Milligan, Chairman, Miss Mary M. Cance, Mrs. R. J. Miller, Mrs. W. I. Wishart, Mrs. J. N. Smith, Miss Jennie Wallace.

A letter from Mrs. J. T. Logue was read relative to the confusion caused by the present system of enrollment at the Convention. Under this method it is possible to enroll a person in four different places, e. g., delegate, life members, life director and missionary. She asked that some action be taken to simplify the matter so that persons, no matter what their office or position may be, can be enrolled but once.

Mrs. O. H. Milligan moved this matter be referred to the Board with power to act.

Mrs. Campbell's motion authorized the Local Committee to use its own judgment regarding the Sabbath afternoon Communion Service.

All bills incurred by the Convention were ordered paid.

The minutes were adopted as read. Adjourned with prayer by Mrs. H. C. Campbell.

MRS. ADA KERR WILSON,
Secretary, pro tem.

LIFE DIRECTORSHIPS.

During the wonderful Foreign Missionary Convocation held in the First Church, Allegheny, January, 1917, a loyal son of a missionary mother interviewed a member of the Women's Board concerning the adoption of some plan by which persons could manifest their affectionate regard for their friends by contributing to the work of the Women's General Missionary Society gifts of money to be used by the Women's Board for the maintenance an enlargement of its work as the needs may appear.

The plan adopted by the Sterling, Kansas, Convention was that a Life Directorship should be established: through gifts of three hundred ($300) dollars each, payable at one time; that two lists of names would be kept on the Life Director page of the Magazine—In Memoriam, containing names of persons whose friends desire to honor their memory, and Life Directors, names of persons still living.

In case of the death of a Life Director, the Board will when notified, transfer the name from the list of "Life Directors" to the list "In Memoriam"—thus perpetuating the name and memory of our consecrated workers.

Life Directorship fees may be given as Thank-Offerings; no other designation is permitted. Quite a number of pledges were made at Sterling.

At date of writing, June 22, 1917, the Treasurer has received three hundred dollars from each of the following Life Directorships:

In Memoriam: Henry and Jane Savage, by their daughter, Mrs. Ella T. Alexander, Topeka, Kans. Captain John Paisley, by his widow, Mrs. Chloe A. Paisley, Syracuse, Kansas.

Life Directors: Mrs. Catherine Huddleson MacDanel, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, by her children. Mrs. R. C. Johnson, McConnelsburg, Pa., by her son, O. S. Johnson. Mrs. J. Alvin Orr, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa., by a friend.

List of additional names will be published from month to month in the Magazine as fees are received.

Explanatory letters will be sent to interested parties in the near future. Further information may be had by writing to

MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL,
MRS. MARY C. PORTER,
MRS. ADA KERR WILSON,
Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

AS WE bring to you the Treasurer's report for the year ending April 15th, 1917, we are very thankful to have again the privilege of reporting that all financial obligations were met, and every department closed the fiscal year with a balance on hand with which to enter upon the work of the new year. This is something for which to be devoutly grateful. The silver and the gold is the Lord's and truly He has been mindful the work of the W. M. S.

The total actual receipts for the year amounted to $217,168.78; $3,768,43 more than last year's.

The sixty-three Presbyterials alone contributed $78,874.09, an increase of $7,893.67 over their contributions of last year. Forty-four Presbyterials, more than two-thirds of the entire number, made gains in their gifts. This fact is particularly encouraging, assuring us of deeper interest in and greater loyalty to the work.

The Thank-Offering is a most important and very necessary factor in the support of every department of the work, as will be seen by the statement of the distribution of the 1915 Thank-Offering, as found on the second and third pages of report. Praise the Lord for these gifts of gratitude—blessing both those who give and those who receive.

In re-payment of loans, $21,132.39 was returned on parsonage loans, and $1,592.21 was received from needy missionary congregations on loans made to them to help them secure houses of worship.

Other sources of income are legacies, annuities, interest from endowments and special gifts.

During the year $2,412.50 was received in legacies from dear ones whom the Lord had called to their heavenly home. $950.00 was received from the estate of Mrs. Mary C. McElree; $200.00 from Mrs. McDonough; $100.00 from Mrs. Jane Thompson; $475.00 from Miss L. Ada Welsh; $237.50 from Mrs. N. Caldwell; $200.00 from Miss Bessie Boice, and $250.00 from Mrs. E. H. Walker. Truly the Lord calleth the workman home but still the work goes on.

Annuities amounting to $5500.00 were received during the year, $3,000.00 from Mrs. H. Bell, $1,000.00 from Miss Ida Woods and $1,500.00 from Miss M. A. Bell. These sums are given with the understanding that the donors receive a stated income semi-annually and at their death the money reverts to the Board for use in the line of work designated.

To those who wish their money, or any part of it, to go finally to the mission cause, this is one of the best ways of accomplishing their purpose and at the same time they secure a safe and certain income during life. By this method of giving, all worries incident to investment of funds are avoided and the income agreed upon is assured through life and is always paid when due. Surely their works do follow them when individuals plan in life to have their money doing the Lord's work when they themselves have ceased from their earthly labors.

During the year an unusually large number of individual gifts came into our treasury. These were largely for the furnishing of rooms as memorials in the Tanta Hospital and in the Frenchburg Dormitory. The names of the donors have appeared from time to time in re-

ports in the Magazine. Special mention, however, should be made at this time of Mrs. Elizabeth S. Temple's gift of $6,000.00, fulfilling her promise of $10,000.00 to Miss Emma Dean Anderson for securing a home for friendless women in India.

$1,000.00 was given by an unknown friend, through Dr. Cleland, to endow a room in Tanta Hospital and $1,000.00 by another friend, through Dr. McClurkin, to provide necessary water supply for Sangla Hill School. Also, $1,300.00 from the Women's Missionary Magazine, $500.00 of which is to be used to complete the equipment of the Women's Ward in Tanta Hospital and $800.00 to furnish zenana quarters in Girls' School at Lyallpur, India.

The receipts for the Girls' Boarding School, Tanta, include $1,987.00 of interest. The receipts from the India Permanent Equipment Fund include $476.10 of interest, in fact of $14,480.43 of that fund in our hands, $645.36 is interest that has accrued on it. Interest on endowment funds is used to maintain the institutions for which the endowments were given.

During the year $2,215.92 were received for our Ministerial Relief Department and $2,005.98 were disbursed. There is no fund for which we are more truly grateful than for this fund, through which comforts are provided for aged, needy and afflicted servants of our Master, burdens are lifted, and faith in God's promises to supply is strengthened. Many can testify to the relief and joy this department has brought to them.

The total disbursements for the year amount to $184,179.74; $77,836.00 for salaries of workers in both home and foreign lands, and $29,326.24 for erection of school building and parsonages, and the cash balance on hand, when accounts closed, was $134,410.34. This includes $54,958.20, the building fund for the Girls' Boarding School, Tanta, conditions being still unfavorable for the erection of the building; $17,980.43 India Permanent Equipment Fund; $6,650.00 of uninvested Annuities; $13,634.10 the Mary B. Ashton bequest, the income only to be use—three-fifths in Foreign work and two-fifths in Home Mission work; $6,000.00, the gift of Mrs. Temple for the Gurdaspur Home, which will be forwarded as soon as requested by the India Association; $6,400.00 to be used in furnishing rooms in Tanta Hospital, leaving a balance of about $27,000.00 to meet current expenses during months when receipts are smallest.

We would take this opportunity to thank the Presbyterial Treasurers for their efficient service and hearty cooperation. Their untiring efforts to collect and forward promptly all funds are very greatly appreciated.

The record of the past year, with its successes and failures, is closed. May we enter upon the new year resolved to render unto Him "Whose we are and Whom we serve" our sincere homage, a homage which shall include not only our prayers and praise but that which shall also stand the test as He sits over against the treasury watching as we cast in our gifts.

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ENDOWMENTS, ANNUITIES AND INCOME.

MARTHA J. McKOWN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, TANTA, EGYPT.

Name.	Endowment.	Income.
Mrs. I. H. Jamison	$1,000.00	$60.00
John Denham and Sisters	1,000.00	60.00
Mrs. O. E. P. Stokes	1,000.00	60.00
Junior Missionary Society	1,000.00	60.00
Mary Gettis Carson	1,000.00	60.00
Margaret Armstrong Carson	1,000.00	60.00
Mrs. Eliza Clokey	1,000.00	60.00
Argyle O. Y. P. C. U.	1,000.00	60.00
W. M. S., Chartiers Presbytery	1,000.00	60.00
Mrs. Mary B. Reid	1,000.00	60.00
Jane Elizabeth Arnold	1,000.00	60.00
Margaret Louise Dales	1,000.00	60.00
Mrs. Margaret McKallor	1,000.00	60.00
William Harvey	1,000.00	60.00
Eleanor Porterfield	1,000.00	60.00
Rev. Alexander McLeod Milligan	1,000.00	60.00
Mrs. Lucy Young		72.00

GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL, JHELUM, INDIA.

Anna Reid	600.00	36.00
Mrs. Sarah A. Reed	600.00	36.00
Mrs. Ellen Dean	600.00	36.00
Miss Lulu Dean	600.00	36.00
Mrs. I. H. Jamison and Miss Herron	600.00	36.00
Gordon Memorial	600.00	36.00
Mrs. Martha E. Wilson	600.00	36.00
M. A. Krohn	600.00	36.00
W. M. S., Mercer Presbytery	600.00	36.00
Junior Missionary Society	1,000.00	60.00
Jane Elizabeth Arnold	350.00	21.00
C. D. Bent	600.00	36.00
Paul Krohn	500.00	36.00
Junior Life Membership	350.00	21.00

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SIALKOT, INDIA.

Mrs. Mary B. Reid	600.00	36.00
Three (3) Junior Life Memberships	1,050.00	63.00
Isabel Milligan	600.00	36.00
Jane Anita Milligan	350.00	21.00
Mrs. A. M. Stewart	650.00	39.00
Mr. J. M. Stewart	350.00	21.00
Margaret Williams	350.00	21.00
Mrs. Elizabeth Adair Currie	600.00	36.00
Edith M. Fulton	600.00	36.00
Jane Elizabeth Arnold	350.00	21.00
Mrs. Ella Easton McGowan	600.00	36.00

WHITE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, PASRUR, INDIA.

Xenia W. M. S.	600.00	

JUBILEE HOSPITAL, HENDERSON, N. C.

Junior Life Membership	500.00	30.00

ANNUITIES AND INCOME.

Name.	Investment.	Income.
Mary Slemmons Fund	$1,000.00	$ 60.00
Avis Cornelia White Fund (Bequest of Mary J. White)	2,500.00	150.00
Mrs. Margaret S. McClure	1,000.00	60.00
Mrs. Lawrence Johnston	1,000.00	60.00
A Friend	400.00	12.00
Jane Slemmons	500.00	30.00
Mrs. J. S. Barr's Bequest	500.00	30.00
Rosaline Kellogg Fund	500.00	30.00
E. D. Anderson Fund	3,000.00	180.00
Robert Telford Fund	950.00	
Ellen Clark Memorial	200.00	
Mrs. Henry Bell	3,000.00	
Ida Woods	1,000.00	
Margaret A. Bell	1,500.00	

Report of the Contributions to the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 16, 1917

PRESBYTERIALS	Foreign Missions	Foreign Salaries	Home Missions	Indian Missions	Freedmen's Missions	Junior Special	Church Extension and Parsonage	Ministerial Relief	Young Women's Special	Junior Life Membership	Senior Life Membership	Contingent Fund	Women's Assoc. Work: Orphans' Home	Women's Assoc. Work: Home for Aged People	Women's Assoc. Work: Columbia Hospital	Temperance	Isaiah 41:6 Fund	Miscellaneous	TOTAL
Albany	15.00	217.00			10.00	20.00			25.00							6.00		1.00	294.00
Allegheny	3187.90	1700.00	1598.00	321.00	539.00	328.00	170.00	157.00	412.00			10.00				79.00	34.00	5.00	8540.90
Argyle	35.00	550.00	475.00	5.00	10.00	103.00	5.00		5.00			5.00				1.00			1194.00
Arkansas Valley	116.00	283.00	115.00	36.00	55.00	35.00	28.00	27.00	17.00			5.00				13.00	9.05	1.00	740.05
Beaver Valley	324.00	565.00	352.00	87.00	233.00	70.00	63.00	76.00	229.00			5.00				47.00	44.05		2095.05
Big Spring	269.69		83.00	13.00	39.00	13.00	6.00	1.00							5.00	3.00	1.00		433.69
Boston	51.00	550.00	53.00	30.00	42.00	27.00	5.00	20.00	20.00			5.00				8.00			210.00
Brookville	24.00	82.00	37.00	14.00	33.00	5.00		5.00				5.00				8.00	6.00		229.00
Butler	315.00	600.00	213.00	85.00	128.00	134.00	77.00	51.00	134.00			5.00	44.00	16.00	15.00	45.00	20.00		1332.00
Caledonia	330.00	296.00	90.00	37.00	83.00	28.00	18.00	19.00	99.00			5.00	6.00	9.00	9.00	5.00	1.00		1035.00
Cedar Rapids	67.00	550.00	63.00	143.00	70.00	44.00	13.00	21.00	45.00			5.00		5.00		6.00	1.00	1.00	1034.00
Chartiers	300.75	1525.00	490.00	83.00	151.00	161.00	44.00	46.00	297.00			5.00	57.00	15.00	116.00	47.00	21.00	103.00	3466.75
Chicago	141.00	542.50	143.00	44.00	89.00	42.00	43.00	32.00				5.00				28.00	6.70		1116.20
Cleveland	433.00	756.00	203.00	66.00	151.00	103.00	73.00	63.00	148.00			5.00	10.00	3.00	2.00	22.00	17.00	1.00	2056.00
College Springs	94.00	1077.00	149.00	34.00	57.00	75.00	26.00	33.00	26.00			2.00	27.00	25.00	25.00	33.00	8.00	11.00	1702.00
Colorado	131.00	500.00	96.00	40.00	52.00	18.00	25.00	25.00	24.00			3.50				5.00	5.65		925.15
Concordia	55.00	71.00	14.00	10.00	37.00	2.00	2.00	2.00				5.00	1.00	1.00		1.00	5.00		206.00
Conemaugh	74.00	450.00	57.00	13.00	38.00	69.00	2.00	4.00	13.00			5.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	5.00	3.00		737.00
Delaware	119.00	552.50	108.00	29.00	58.00	27.00	12.00	15.00	66.00			5.00	1.00	6.00	1.00	19.00	11.00		1030.50
Des Moines	146.00	434.00	115.00	48.00	46.00	31.00	18.00	14.00	42.00							5.00	6.00	1.00	956.00
Detroit	182.00	66.00	67.00	18.00	259.00		30.00	36.00	70.00			5.00	6.00	9.00	9.00	18.00	2.00		777.00
Frankfort	106.00		65.00	9.00	44.00	35.00													259.00
Garnett	35.00	154.00	47.00	19.00	28.00	8.00	15.00	13.50	12.00							4.50			336.00
Hudson	365.00	50.00	41.00	10.00		2.00						5.00					3.00		476.00
Idaho	33.00		36.00	14.00	18.00	12.00	10.00	5.00	13.00							4.00	12.00		157.00
Illinois Central	65.00	126.00	62.00	45.00	32.00	28.00	5.00	4.00	24.00							27.00	1.00		419.00
Illinois Southern	37.00	1043.00	64.00	21.00	22.00	42.00	16.00	25.00					14.00	3.00	3.00	28.00	6.00	1.00	1325.00
Indiana	106.00	292.00	129.00	14.00	35.00	23.70	19.00	22.00	64.00				3.00	1.00	1.00	11.00			726.70
Indiana Northern	20.00	18.50	38.50	10.00	15.00	3.00										1.00	3.90		109.90
Iowa Northwestern	26.00	5.00	27.00	8.00	16.00	2.00	2.00	2.00				3.75				3.00	3.00		97.75
Kansas City	79.00	194.00	60.00	23.00	33.00	10.00	13.00	13.00	22.00			4.30	11.00	5.00		8.00	5.50		436.80
Keokuk	38.00	515.00	229.00		24.00	17.00	3.00	2.00	44.00			5.00				5.00	7.00		889.00
Kiskiminetas	61.00	60.00	50.00	10.00	25.00	15.00	10.00	8.00	69.00			4.00	5.00			10.00	9.00	2.00	328.00
Lake	244.00	358.50	241.00	85.00	100.00	46.00	72.00	36.00	88.00			5.00			5.00	5.00	4.00		1230.50
LeClaire	46.00	80.00	42.00		18.00	2.00		4.00											192.00
Los Angeles	442.00	550.00	195.00	56.00	96.00	20.00	35.00	42.00	70.00			5.00				17.00	5.00		1528.00
Mansfield	95.00	147.00	72.00	5.00	55.00	31.00		4.00	31.00			5.00	1.00	1.00		1.00	1.00		449.00
Mercer	80.00	550.00	131.00	26.00	45.00	106.00	20.00	7.00	102.00			5.00	57.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	4.00		1158.00
Monmouth	199.00	550.00	274.00	31.00	121.00	33.00	26.00	17.00	137.00			5.00				24.00	11.40		1428.40
Monongahela	2022.00	7659.00	4055.35	356.00	1224.00	544.00	245.00	204.00	391.00			15.00				160.00	112.00	217.00	17206.35
Muskingum	204.00	1100.00	114.00	64.00	98.00	106.00	58.00	43.00	119.00			5.00	10.00	5.00		15.00	17.00		1958.00
New Jersey	71.00	65.00	61.00	3.00	10.00	12.50		8.00	30.00										260.50
New York																			
Ohio First	175.00	650.00	224.00	34.00	84.00	63.00	56.00	50.00	136.00			5.00				17.00	5.00	2.00	1501.00
Oklahoma	29.00	50.00	38.00	5.00	7.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	1.00			.95	12.00		10.00	2.00	6.00		167.95
Omaha	46.00		38.00	14.00	35.00	11.00		5.00	12.00										161.00
Oregon	79.00	278.50	47.00	33.50	33.00	4.50	8.00	14.00								3.00	12.50		513.00
Pawnee	59.00		61.00	24.00	54.00	15.00	26.00	2.00								17.00	15.00	200.00	473.00
Philadelphia	421.00	550.00	447.00	45.00	107.00	142.00	19.00	14.00	125.00			5.00	24.00	1.00	9.00	17.00	15.00		1941.00
Pittsburgh	45.00	5.00	25.00	7.00	13.00	1.00		5.00											101.00
Puget Sound	216.00	125.00	117.00	39.00	65.00	5.00	15.00	15.00	5.00				3.00	3.00	3.00	10.00	5.00		629.00
Rock Island	215.00	13.00	233.00	48.00	76.00	33.00	32.00	32.00	71.00				4.00	4.00	4.00	14.00	12.00	2.00	793.00
San Francisco	141.50	400.00	127.20	21.00	52.00		7.00	7.00	7.00				6.00	5.00	7.00	5.00	6.00	1.00	775.70
Sidney	291.00		104.00	29.00	61.00	13.00	27.00	16.00						1.00	1.00	1.00	5.00	3.00	552.00
					11.00		9.00	12.00											140.00

San Francisco	141.50	409.00	137.20	31.00	53.00		7.00	7.00	7.00							1.00	3.00		775.70
Sidney	291.00		104.00	39.00	61.00	13.00	37.00	16.00				6.00	8.00	7.00	9.00	6.00	1.00	2.00	580.00
Spokane	24.00	42.00	22.00	6.00	11.00	3.00	9.00	12.00					1.00	1.00	1.00	5.00	3.00		140.00
Stamford																			
Steubenville	544.00	351.00	230.00	16.00	70.00	37.00	31.00	37.00	153.00				17.00		20.00	31.00	22.00		1559.00
Tennessee	142.00	10.00	25.00	19.00	38.00	21.00		1.00	1.00							10.00	1.00		268.00
Texas	28.00	112.50	28.00	15.00	9.00		8.00	7.00				3.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	10.00	7.00		230.50
Uncompahgre	11.00	48.00	7.00	2.00	9.00											1.00	4.00		82.00
Vermont	61.00		22.00	3.00	11.50	1.00		5.00				2.00				4.00			109.50
Westmoreland	624.00	765.00	499.00	111.00	185.00	59.00	129.00	106.00	71.00			5.00	9.00	5.00	5.00	4.00	5.25		2582.25
Wheeling	459.00	545.00	306.00	45.00	157.00	51.00	32.00	39.00	56.00			5.00	10.00	2.00	1.00	13.00	24.00		1745.00
Wisconsin	61.00		43.00	19.00	42.00	8.00		7.00								17.00			197.00
Xenia	291.00	1100.00	173.00	80.00	142.00	45.00	27.00	15.00	89.00			10.00	11.00			17.00	25.00		2025.00
Barnes Family		100.00																	100.00
Miss Helen T. Brown		550.00																	550.00
Conemaugh Y. P. C. U.		126.00																	126.00
Miss J. K. Denham & Bro.		275.00																	275.00
Mr. & Mrs. W. L. Taylor		275.00																	275.00
1st, Indianapolis, Ind.		32.00																	32.00
2nd, New Wilmington		525.00																	525.00
Miss A. A. Milligan		450.00																	450.00
Rev. J. K. McClurkin, D.D.		1600.00																	1600.00
McFarland Family		650.00																	650.00
S. S., Norris Sq., Phila.		500.00																	500.00
North Bend Cong.		413.00																	413.00
Mr. G. M. Paden		400.00																	400.00
Traer Congregation		550.00																	550.00
Miss Annie Wilson		935.60																	935.60
Two Friends		550.00																	550.00
Frenchburg School Board			500.00																500.00
Frenchburg Tuitions			500.00																500.00
Industrial Departments				107.45															107.45
Interest	2745.62	11.54	489.04		67.50							1621.03						408.16	5342.89
In. on India P. E. Fund																		476.10	476.10
In. on G. B. S., Tanta Fund																		1987.00	1987.00
In. on Annuities																		510.00	510.00
Sale of Foreign Reports	40.57																		40.57
Refunds	165.55		93.90		45.75			4.00									43.15		352.35
Gifts to Tanta Hospital	3010.00																		3010.00
Mrs. E. S. Temple	6000.00																		6000.00
Gifts to Gurdaspur Home	320.00																		320.00
Special Gifts to Frenchburg			671.81																671.81
S. S. Classes	241.50		10.00	18.00	11.00							.92				10.00		1.00	292.42
Other Individual Gifts	1772.50	353.10	7.00	5.00	795.00	5.73						675.50				13.50	15.00	201.00	3843.33
Convention Offering, Xenia												52.83							52.83
Legacies																		1912.50	1912.50
Items of Cents												5.52							5.52
Annuities																		5500.00	5500.00
India Perm. E. Fund																		5477.02	5477.02
W. M. Magazine	1300.00																		1300.00
Pay't by Noy Steele					79.75														79.75
J. M. Societies					2.50	3.57												4.00	10.07
Mission Study Classes	60.00																		60.00
Sale of Buttons, CT'ds, etc.																28.06			28.06
Societies & Cong.	70.00												11.50			3.00			84.50
Payments on Loans							21132.39											1592.21	22724.60
1915 Thank-Offering	35836.00		7018.00	2600.00	15005.00		1000.00	715.42		1310.00	3100.00	1624.90	5.00		50.00			1010.06	68174.82
Actual Receipts	66218.52	33384.24	22665.80	5163.50	21614.45	2958.00	23770.39	2215.92	3615.00	1310.00	3100.00	4180.20	370.50	135.00	315.00	991.06	633.15	19627.90	217168.78
Transfers	11546.50	2548.00	1075.00		895.00													8299.50	24464.00
Grand Total	77867.02	46038.24	23740.80	5163.50	22509.45	2958.00	23770.39	2215.92	3615.00	1310.00	3100.00	4180.20	370.50	135.00	315.00	991.06	633.15	27927.40	241633.78

LEGACIES: Mrs. Mary C. McElree, $954.00; Mrs. McDonough, $200.00; Mrs. Jane Thompson, $100.00; Miss L. Ada Welsh, $475.00; Mrs. Nancy Caldwell, $237.50; Miss Bessie Rose, $296.00; Mrs. R. H. Walker, $250.00.

ANNUITIES: Mrs. Henry Bell, $3000.00; Miss Ida Woods, $1000.00, Miss M. A. Bell, $1500.00.

MRS. J. B. HILL, Treasurer,
5845 Marlborough St.,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

ANNUAL REPORT.

—OF THE—

TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

—OF THE—

Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America

TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1917.

	Bal. April 15, 1916 Dr.	Bal. April 15, 1916 Cr.	Receipts	Disbursmts.	Bal. April 15, 1917 Dr.	Bal. April 15, 1917 Cr.
Foreign Missions, General	.....	.....	53324.43	51947.08	.....	1377.35
Foreign Missions, Salaries	.....	10501.82	40930.24	41402.63	.....	10029.43
Girls' School, Sialkot	.....	81.57	762.00	550.00	.....	293.57
Girls' School, Sangla Hill .	.....	27.00	177.00	.....	.....	204.00
Girls' School, Luxor	.....	44.42	276.00	150.00	.....	170.42
Sialkot Hospital	.....	686.22	829.00	745.00	.....	770.22
Jhelum Hospital	.....	76.59	845.00	752.00	.....	169.59
Tanta Hospital	.....	2783.99	12794.40	9100.00	.....	6478.39
Foreign Missions, Special	.....	4511.34	8834.25	6774.25	.....	6571.34
Home Missions, General ..	.....	15750.89	23740.80	31001.48	.....	8490.21
Indian Missions, U. S.	.....	1427.50	5163.50	4660.90	.....	1930.10
Freedmen's Mission, Gen'l	.....	137.92	22509.45	20179.26	.....	2468.11
Church Ex. & Parsonage ..	.....	12154.81	23770.39	12950.00	.....	22975.20
Junior Special	.....	.....	2958.00	2958.00	.....	.....
Young Women's Special ..	.....	.....	3615.00	3615.00	.....	.....
Ministerial Relief	.....	1088.24	2215.92	2005.98	.....	1298.18
Orphans' Home, Allegheny	.....	.....	370.50	370.50	.....	.....
Columbia Hospital	.....	.....	315.00	315.00	.....	.....
Aged Peoples' Home	.....	.....	135.00	135.00	.....	.....
Itinerating Fund	.....	.....	200.00	.....	.....	200.00
Contingent Fund	.....	.....	4180.20	4180.20	.....	.....
Life Memberships, Senior	.....	.....	3100.00	3100.00	.....	.....
Life Memberships, Junior	.....	.....	1210.00	1210.00	.....	.....
Temperance	.....	509.42	991.06	706.46	.....	794.02
Loan Investments	21458.74	.....	1592.21	1000.00	20866.53	.....
Legacies	.....	13664.90	2412.50	2442.50	.....	13634.90
Women's Missionary Mag.	.....	.....	240.00	240.00	.....	.....
G. B. S. Tanta Build. Fund	.....	45271.20	11262.00	1575.00	.....	54958.20
Mary Herron Rest Home .	.....	70.00	120.00	.....	.....	190.00
Junior Magazine Reserve	.....	381.00	55.00	.....	.....	436.00
Isaiah 41:6 Fund	.....	.....	633.15	462.00	.....	705.05
India Perm. Equip. Fund .	.....	12027.31	5953.12	3500.00	.....	14480.43
Annuities and Interest ...	.....	200.00	6069.50	569.50	.....	5700.00
Robert Telford Fund	.....	950.00	.....	.....	.....	950.00
E. J. Walker Estate	.....	.....	48.16	46.00	.....	2.16
			*241632.78	208643.74		
Less Transfer of Funds ..	.....	.....	24464.00	24464.00	.....	.....
TOTALS	$21458.74	$122880.04	$217168.78	$184179.74	$20866.53	$155276.87

Cash Balance on Hand, April 15, 1916	$101421.30
Receipts for the Year Ending April 15, 1917	217168.78
TOTAL	$318590.08
Disbursements for the Year Ending April 15, 1917.....	184179.74
Cash Balance on Hand, April 15, 1917	$134410.34

I have made a careful inspection of the accounts of Mrs. J. B. Hill, Treasurer, for the year ending April 15, 1917, and find them correct. Above is a correct statement of receipts and disbursements for the year and of balances at the beginning and close of the year.

A. F. SAWHILL, Auditor.

*Receipts include the 1915 Thank-Offering of $69174.32.

MONTHLY REPORT OF WOMEN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The following is a correct list of officers elected and committees appointed for the ensuing year.

President: Mrs. Samuel Yourd, 625 Highland Ave., Carnegie, Pa.

First Vice President: Mrs. J. D. Sands, 123 Roup St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Second Vice President: Mrs. Wm. S. Cook, 1201 6th Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.

Treasurer: Mrs. J. B. Hill, 5845 Marlborough St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. Howard Maxwell.

Statistical Secretary: Mrs. D. J. Brown, 15 N. Fremont St., N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Foreign Secretary: Mrs. H. C. Campbell, 6410 Beacon St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Home Secretary: Mrs. W. S. Cook, 1201 6th Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.

Freedmen's Secretary, Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson, 1112 South Ave., Wilkinsburg, Pa.

Indian Secretary: Mrs. John S. Crawford, 95 Trenton Ave., Wilkinsburg, Pa.

Parsonage Secretary: Mrs. J. D. Sands, 123 Roup St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Thank-Offering Secretary: Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter, 2828 Perrysville Ave., N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Temperance Secretary: Mrs. R. C. Morton, 2020 Perrysville Ave., N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Literature Secretary: Miss Elizabeth Milligan, 5534 Kentucky Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Young Women's Secretary: Miss Ida B. Little, 132 Allison Ave., Washington, Pa.

Junior Secretary: Mrs. I. H. Milliken, 205 Lexington Ave., Aspinwall, Pa.

Editor and Business Manager of Junior Magazine: Miss Carrie M. Reed, 1806 Bedford Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Railroad Secretary: Mrs. J. Howard Maxwell.

Financial Secretary: Miss Ida B. Little.

Annuity Secretary: Mrs. H. C. Campbell.

Executive Committee: Mrs. Samuel Yourd, Mrs. J. D. Sands, Mrs. Wm. S. Cook, Mrs. J. B. Hill, Mrs. J. Howard Maxwell, Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson, Mrs. M. C. Porter.

Editorial Committee: Miss Elizabeth Milligan, Miss Carrie M. Reed, Miss Ida B. Little, Mrs. R. C. Morton, Mrs. M. C. Porter.

Finance Committee: Miss Ida B. Little, Mrs. Ada K. Wilson, Mrs. J. B. Hill, Mrs. H. C. Campbell.

Junior Committee: Mrs. I. H. Milliken, Mrs. M. C. Porter, Miss Carrie Reed, Miss Ida B. Little.

Missionary Application Committee: Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Mrs. Wm. S. Cook, Mrs. A. K. Wilson, Mrs. John S. Crawford.

Addresses Committee: Mrs. John S. Crawford, Mrs. R. C. Morton, Mrs. Maxwell, Mrs. D. J. Brown.

Printing Committee: Mrs. I. H. Milliken, Miss Elizabeth Milligan, Mrs. Wm. C. Cook, Miss Carrie Reed.

Rooms Committee: Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Mrs. M. C. Porter, Mrs. Ada K. Wilson, Mrs. J. B. Hill, Miss Elizabeth Milligan.

Field Secretaries: Mrs. J. C. Alter, Women's Board Rooms, 209 Ninth St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Miss Kate Hill, Women's Board Rooms, 209 Ninth St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

NOTICE

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAS ORDERED PRINTED FOUR HUNDRED (400) COPIES OF THE STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1917.

THESE MAY BE SECURED AFTER AUG. 1 FROM THE LITERATURE DEPARTMENT, 904 PUBLICATION BUILDING, PITTSBURGH, PA., AT FIFTEEN CENTS (15c) PER COPY.

MRS. D. J. BROWN,
Statistical Secretary.

PRESENT ADDRESSES OF MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY THE WOMEN'S GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

INDIA.

Miss Emma Dean Anderson, appointed 1881, Home for Women, Gurdaspur.

Miss Minnie E. Beatty, appointed 1912, Sialkot City.

Miss Hazel Bennett, appointed 1909, Gujranwala.

Miss Lena J. Brotherston, appointed 1906, Campbellpur.

Miss Alice G. Burnham, appointed 1915, Zafarwal.

Miss A. Laura Cleland, appointed 1903, Sargodha.

Miss Henrietta Cowden, appointed 1905, Pasrur.

Miss Laura G. Dickson, appointed 1897, Gurdaspur.

Miss Margaret Fehlman, appointed 1913, Gurdaspur.

Miss Bessie Fleming, appointed 1913, Girls' Boarding School, Sangla Hill.

Miss E. M. Gordon, appointed 1893, Jhelum.

Miss Nancy Hadley, appointed 1904, Zafarwal.

Miss Marietta Hamilton, appointed 1916, Gujranwala.

Miss Jeanette Hopkins, appointed 1912, Khangah Dogran.

Miss Flora Jameson, appointed 1903, Girls' Boarding School, Sangla Hill.

Miss Wilhelmino Jongewaard, M. D., appointed 1915, Memorial Hospital, Sialkot City.

Miss Harriett Jongewaard, appointed 1915, Pasrur.

Miss Mary Kyle, appointed 1904, Pasrur.

Miss Olive Laing, appointed 1912, Girls' Boarding School, Sialkot City.

Miss Mary A. Lawrence, appointed 1893, Rawalpindi.

Miss Mary E. Logan, appointed 1891, Jhelum.

Miss Fanny C. Martin, appointed 1895, Rawalpindi.

Miss Jane E. Martin, appointed 1906, Khangah Dogran.

Miss E. Josephine Martin, appointed 1896, Avalon Girls' School, Pathankot.

Miss Mary R. Martin, appointed 1890, Girls' Boarding School, Sialkot City.

Miss Eleanor W. Maconachie, appointed 1909, Elliott Dispensary, Pathankot.

Miss Jean Morrison, appointed 1895, Lyallpur.

Miss Lillian A. McConnell, appointed 1902, Lyallpur.

Miss Rose A. McCullough, appointed 1879, Gujranwala.

Miss Louise Scott, appointed 1916, Gujranwala.

Miss J. P. Simpson, M. D., appointed 1902, Good Samaritan Hospital, Jhelum.

Miss Mabel C. Stewart, appointed 1915, Sialkot City.

Miss Martha Strong, appointed 1915, Sargodha.

Miss Ruth A. Warnock, appointed 1913, Sargodha.

Miss Josephine L. White, appointed 1884, Campbellpur.

Miss Dora Whitely, appointed 1911, Pasrur.

HOME ON FURLOUGH FROM INDIA.

Miss Roma Beatty, appointed 1909.

Miss Lois Buchanan, appointed 1910, Monmouth, Ill.

Miss Mary J. Campbell, appointed 1884, 1350 Harrison St., Topeka, Kans.

Miss Kate A. Hill, appointed 1896, 905 Publication Bldg., Ninth Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Miss L. B. Hamilton, appointed 1908, 906 Filmore St., Des Moines, Iowa.

Miss Elizabeth McCahon, appointed 1875, Knoxville College, Knoxville, Tenn.

Miss Henrietta Moore, appointed 1898, Slippery Rock, Pa.

Miss Maria White, M. D., appointed 1886, 314 Boyles Ave., New Castle, Pa.

Miss Rosa T. Wilson, appointed 1886, 36 W. Chester Ave., Pasadena, Cal.

Miss Cynthia E. Wilson, appointed 1875, 36 W. Chester Ave., Pasadena, Cal.

EGYPT.

Miss A. B. Atchison, appointed 1904, Cairo.

Miss Mary E. Baird, appointed 1913, Zagazig.

Miss E. M. Barnes, appointed 1911, Cairo.

Miss Anna B. Criswell, appointed 1905, Assiut.

Miss Ella Downie, appointed 1913, Luxor.

Miss Ruth Margaret Eddy, appointed 1914, Cairo.

Miss Davida M. Finney, appointed 1914, Mansoura.

Miss Minnehaha Finney, appointed 1894, Tanta.

Miss Alfaretta Hammond, appointed 1904, Fayoum.

Miss Rena Hogg, appointed 1896, Assiut.

Miss May Holland, appointed 1913, Tanta.

Miss Isabel Hosack, appointed 1912, Cairo.

Miss Florence A. Hutchison, appointed 1916.

Miss Helen Jeannette Martin, appointed 1915, Cario.

Miss Olive T. Mason, appointed 1912, Alexandria.

Miss Anna McConnaughy, appointed 1903, Cairo.

Miss Carol McMillan, appointed 1906, Tanta.

Miss Jeannette McCrory, appointed 1916.

Miss Mary M. Pattison, appointed 1912, Cairo.

Miss Margaret Smith, Appointed 1872, Cairo.

Miss Nellie C. Smith, appointed 1911, Alexandria.

Miss A. Y. Thompson, appointed 1871, Cairo.

Miss Sadie Thompson, appointed 1913, Assiut.

Miss Laura Walker, appointed 1904, Alexandria.

Miss Ida B. Whitesides, Girls' Boarding School, Luxor.

Miss Ruth A. Work, appointed 1904, Assiut.

HOME ON FURLOUGH FROM EGYPT.

Miss Carrie Buchanan, appointed 1893, Hebron, Ind.

Miss Margaret Bell, appointed 1901, Tarkio, Mo.

Miss Leota Cabeen, appointed 1909, New Market, Iowa.

Miss Helen J. Ferrier, appointed 1900, Fort Collins, Colo.

Miss Elsie French, appointed 1909, 1012 W. Third St., Waterloo, Iowa.

Miss Edna Jean Giffen, appointed 1915, Xenia, Ohio.

Mrs. T. J. Finney, appointed 1916, Cambridge Rd., Coshocton, Ohio.

Miss Roxie Martin, appointed 1901, 259 King St., Xenia, Ohio.

Miss Daisy Robertson, appointed 1915, Allegheny Valley Hospital, Tarentum, Pa.

Miss Roe O. Williams, appointed 1911, Van Nuys, Cal.

SUDAN.

Miss Sarah Isabella Dight, appointed 1914, Khartum North.

Miss Emma McKeown, appointed 1916.

HOME ON FURLOUGH FROM SUDAN.

Miss Elsie E. Grove, appointed 1912, Laurel, Pa.

RETROSPECTIVE AND PROSPECTIVE.

With this issue the Women's Missionary Magazine closes its *thirtieth year* of publication. What it has been able to do during the years of the most wonderful world wide missionary effort of modern Christian Missions, will not be known in full. It is enough to know that the opportunity to be something among the many agencies now at work, is very great and the story of missionary achievement will include every sincere effort made in the name of Christ. Thirty years is a long time to contemplate in any project, not so long to review.

We are thankful for the year's work just closed. The reports in this July issue show wonderful love and devotion from every one having a part in this work. The fact that so much can be written of the past year has a link with many years that have passed. No one year is a summary of this work. We review and then we contemplate. We do not begin where the year ends. Influences are not buried with the passing year. We are able to do much more every year because of what has been done. We close this July number with great hope for the future.

The year's report just closed beckon us to do more for the cause of Christian Missions. We see larger fields of opportunity. We come with this annual report with joy and rejoicing. This is the best year the Magazine has ever known. When the twelve issues—August, 1916—July, 1917—are bound in one volume it will show the largest amount of missionary information and the greatest number of illustrations ever given. If our subscribers would keep their Magazines on file, and have them bound, they would have a library of information helpful in mission study.

We thank all who helped make the large list of new subscriptions this year. If all who are interested, or if those who attended the Sterling Convention, and caught the spirit of the work to be done, would do all they can we would exceed in subscriptions all that was reported at the Sterling Convention. We are all working together for the same cause Christian Missions represent, there is no apology for the ever increasing solicitation for all to work more and seek opportunity to win new members from every congregation in behalf of women's part in missions.

If every subscriber will read this annual report with the desire to know of the work being done and will talk of it in their homes and social circle and pray daily for the work next year, what a wonderful year we will have. Surely if we are in earnest it is not too much to expect. We are confidently expecting the women to help increase the subscription list. We have not as yet the *ten thousand* asked for. We will continue this effort to give the Magazine a larger circulation. The plans projected by the Women's Board in this July number show great faith and hope in the work already begun.

Every woman will want to have a part in the largest Thank-Offering that will be received this fall. Plan to have every one share in this blessed work. The cause needs you, you need the privilege and the joy that will never fade from your life. May all the hopes for peace on earth be soon realized. We are in trust with Him to do our part. If we do the best we can we will all rejoice together when the returns are made known by Him Who will say enter in to the joy prepared for those that love him.

Sincerely and hopefully,

MRS. GEORGE MOORE, Editor.

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THE INDIAN HUNTER.

Oh, why does the white man follow my path,
  Like the hound on the tiger's track?
Does the flush on my dark cheek waken his wrath
  Does he covet the bow at my back?
He has rivers and seas, where the billows and breeze
  Bear riches for him alone,
And the sons of the wood never plunge in the flood
  Which the white man calls his own.
Then why should he come in streams where none
  But the red-skin dares to swim?
And why should he wrong the bold hunter one
  Who never did harm to him?

The Father above thought fit to give
  To the white man corn and wine.
There are golden fields where he may live,
  But the forest shades are mine.
For the eagle and deer have their place of rest,
  The wild horse where to dwell,
And the spirit that gave to the bird its nest,
  Made a home for me as well.
Then back to thy home from the red man's track,
  For the hunter's eye grows dim,
To find that the white man wrongs the one
  Who never did harm to him.

Eliza Cook.

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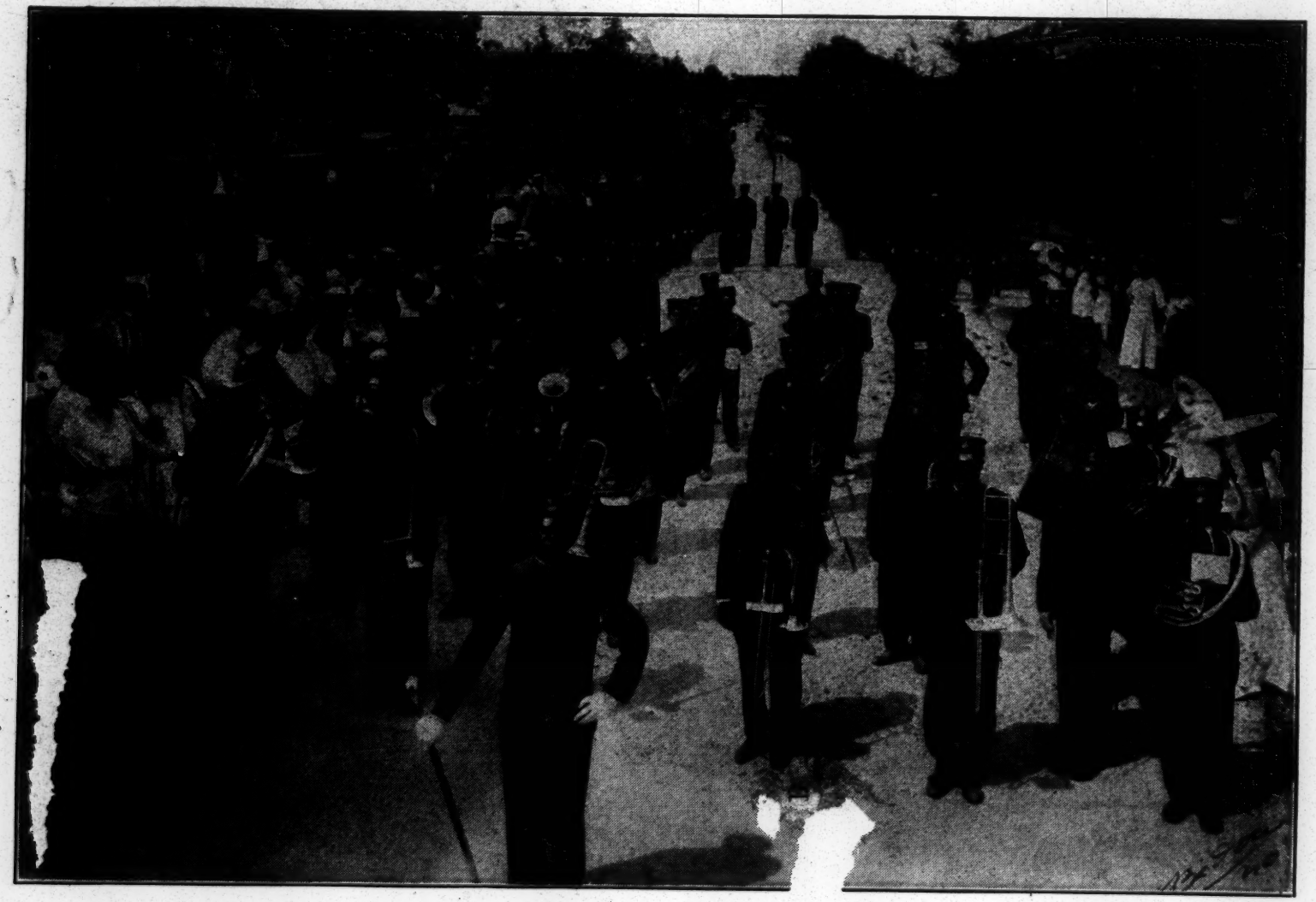

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Students Marching to the Ch apel on C encement Day.